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1ST VANDE BHARAT SLEEPER TRAIN TO RUN BETWEEN GUWAHATI AND KOLKATA

India's first Vande Bharat sleeper train, equipped with world-class amenities, will run between the capitals of poll-bound Assam and West Bengal

MODI TO FLAG OFF SERVICE LATER THIS MONTH

The services are expected to become operational in the next 15-20 days, possibly around January 18 or 19, Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said. "We have requested the prime minister (to flag off the service). I will announce the exact date in the next two to three days," the minister said, adding that the final date is being worked out with the PMO

FARE STARTS AT ₹2,300 FOR 3RD AC COACH

- The 16-coach train, with a passenger capacity of 823, has a design speed of 180 km per hour. However, it will operate at a speed of 120-130 kmph, covering the distance between the two cities overnight
- The 3rd-AC fare will be around ₹2,300, 2nd-AC ₹3,000, and 1st-AC around ₹3,600, which will include food, Vaishnaw said | P12

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VANDE BHARAT SLEEPER TRAINS ARE EXPECTED TO BE PUT INTO SERVICE IN 2026

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Crucial Manipur meeting today

Could draw roadmap for political transition

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

UNION home minister Amit Shah will chair a high-level review meeting on Manipur on January 2, as the state prepares for a possible political transition ahead of the scheduled end of Central rule on February 13.

The meeting assumes significance as Manipur has seen relative calm after nearly two-and-a-half years of ethnic violence, raising expectations that the Centre may soon move towards facilitating a political solution and restoring elected government.

Sources said the review will focus on assessing ground-level conditions and determining the roadmap for the coming weeks. The meeting will be attended by Manipur Governor Ajay Kumar Bhalla, state government adviser Kuldiep Singh, Chief Secretary P K Goel and Director General of Police Rajiv Singh, along with senior officials of the Union Ministry of Home Affairs. All key state officials have already arrived in New Delhi for the deliberations.

"The home minister will review recent developments on the ground, assess the prevailing security environment and evaluate coordinated deployment of forces. Discussions are also likely on development initiatives aimed at rebuilding infrastructure and restoring normalcy in affected areas," a source said.

President's rule was imposed in Manipur following the resignation of the then chief minister N Biren Singh amid sustained ethnic violence. Ever since, the state has been administered by the Governor.

Political parties have already begun informal consultations on the possibility of government formation. The outcome of the January 2 meeting will set the tone for the next phase, including decisions on whether to move towards an elected government or continue with administrative arrangements under Central oversight.

AT LEAST 47 DEAD IN SWISS BAR FIRE

Videograb of the fire at Le Constellation bar in the luxury ski resort town of Crans-Montana in Switzerland. Inset: Police officers and rescuers at the site | AFP

AGENCIES

AT least 47 people were killed and 115 others seriously injured after a massive fire ripped through a crowded bar in the upscale Swiss ski resort town of Crans-Montana during a New Year's party, reports said on Thursday.

The fire broke out at 1.30 am local time in a luxury bar called Le Constellation in the resort in southwestern Switzerland, which locals said was popular with teenagers.

The cause of the blaze, which was initially reported as an explosion, remains unclear but authorities said it appeared to be an accident rather than an attack.

Reports said there were around 200 people, mostly youngsters, in the basement venue at the time. The fire intensified into a flashover, when extreme heat caused everything inside the enclosed space to ignite all at once, leaving people little chance to escape. Many perished in the crush to get up the single staircase to the exit, *The Daily Mail* reported.

Valais Canton police commander Frédéric Gisler said work was underway to identify the victims, who may include foreign nationals as Crans-Montana is an international ski and golf venue.

Axel Clavier, a 16-year-old from Paris who survived the blaze, described "total chaos" inside the bar. One of his friends died and "two or three were missing," he told *The Associated Press*. He said he saw waitresses arrive with Champagne bottles with sparklers.

Two women told French broadcaster *BFMTV* that they were inside when they saw a male bartender lifting a female bartender on his shoulders as she held a lit candle in a bottle. The flames spread, collapsing the wooden ceiling, they told the broadcaster.

Officials said the blaze likely triggered the release of combustible gases that ignited violently.

Swiss President Guy Parmelin said that the government's 'thoughts go to the victims, to the injured and their relatives, to whom it addresses its sincere condolences'.

Govt defers handing over houses to Kogilu evictees

MOHAMMED YACOOB @Bengaluru

With the opposition BJP raising a hue and cry, the state government on Thursday deferred allotment of homes to the slum-dwellers who were evicted from Kogilu in Yelahanka for a day.

Housing Minister BZ Zameer Ahmed Khan said the allotment would be held on Friday after verification of documents of the beneficiaries.

The minister said the GBA and Rajiv Gandhi Housing Corporation would review the documents and provide housing only to the eligible ones at the Karnataka Housing Board quarters in Byappanahalli.

The government has come under fire, first, for razing homes without following due rehabilitation process and, then, for its decision to allot homes to the slum-dwellers.

The BJP alleged that that the government is allotting homes to illegal Bangladeshi Muslims and migrants from other states, including West Bengal, to appease minority community. The party also alleged that the Congress government was succumbing to pressure from Kerala. CONTINUED ON: P4

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Lingayats to hold day of penance today

Bengaluru: In an unprecedented act, the Lingayat community will observe day-long penance on Friday to condemn the brutal 'honour' killing of a woman for marrying outside her caste | P4

MLA's gunman fires during clash, man dies

Ballari: A BJP worker died in a clash between supporters of BJP MLA Janardhan Reddy and Cong MLA Bharath Reddy. The latter's gunman fired after the groups began throwing stones, hitting Rajashekar | P6

Expect warmer winter, lesser rainfall this year

JITENDRA CHOUBEY @ New Delhi

THIS winter from January to March would be warmer in most parts of the country, resulting in less rainfall and fewer cold waves, the India Meteorological Department has predicted.

The weatherman expects below normal rainfall over Northwest, Northeast, and Peninsular India in winter. It could lead to higher temperatures in most parts of India.

The reduced rainfall and early temperature rise could impact the flowering of the wheat crops, which are predominantly grown in the Northwest.

Regarding the monthly forecast, the IMD indicated that nights will be colder while days will be relatively warm, with normal rainfall expected in January. Additionally, a higher number of cold wave days are expected in some areas of Central India, eastern Uttar Pradesh, and Bihar this month.

As for the year that just went by, 2025 was the eighth warmest year in the last 125 years of IMD's recorded history, while the Northwest region experienced its fourth warmest December during the same period. Besides, December 2025 was among the driest winter months, with Central India recording the lowest rainfall ever in the history of the IMD.

The warmest year on record was 2024, when mean temperature across India was 0.65°C above the long-term average (see table).

FIVE WARMEST YEARS ON RECORD

Year	Warmer by
2024	+0.65°C
2016	+0.54°C
2009	+0.40°C
2010	+0.39°C
2017	+0.38°C

In 2025, heavy rainfall and subsequent flooding led to the deaths of over 1,370 individuals, while heatwaves accounted for more than 35 fatalities across different regions. Thunderstorms and lightning were responsible for over 1,310 more deaths.

India also faced four cyclonic storms during the post-monsoon season in the North Indian Ocean: Shakti, Montha, Senyar and Ditwah. While Montha, Senyar and Ditwah were formed over the Bay of Bengal, the Shakti system originated over the Arabian Sea.

The year 2025 was also the 12th time no cyclones formed between January and September since 1891.

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LITERARY AWARDS

All set for RNG Sahithya Samman today

PARAMITA GHOSH @ New Delhi

THE Ramnath Goenka Sahithya Samman (RNGSS) 2025 is homebound. In the 1930s, Ramnath Goenka, a doyen of the Indian print industry and the visionary behind *The New Indian Express* (*TNIE*) Group, conceived the idea of a newspaper in Chennai that would be synonymous with fearless journalism. He also seeded the idea of an award for timeless literature, and for giving a platform to young writers who were thinking outside the grid, building new worlds with the power of imagination, with new ideas, styles, narratives and courage.

Announced at the Odisha Literary Festival 2023, and after a strong launch in Delhi in 2024, the RNGSS heads to Chennai, the *TNIE* group's headquarters. Four awards—for Lifetime Achievement, Best Fiction, Best Non-Fiction and Best Debut – will be given at a prestigious ceremony in Chennai on Friday. Vice President of India, C P Radhakrishnan, will grace the occasion as Chief Guest, at a function to be attended by the city's intelligentsia and who's who.

This year, Manoj Kumar Sonthalia, Chairman and Managing Director of *TNIE* Group, proposed combining Debut Fiction and Non-Fiction into a single Debut category, while maintaining separate Fiction and Non-Fiction categories for more established writers.

For the third edition of RNGSS, the *TNIE* team began curating the longlist in July. Submissions poured in from senior editors across *TNIE* centres in New Delhi, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala and Odisha. Publishers also sent in their recommendations. Books released between July 2024 and June 2025 were considered for nomination.

The winners were shortlisted at a meeting in Delhi in October, attended by the internal and external jury. Each book was closely studied, discussed and fought for to arrive at the winners.

The jury was chaired by author and former diplomat Pavan Varma; author Githa Hariharan and economist Sanjeev Sanyal were the other external jury members.

From books on lesser-known public figures such as Irawati Karve, the Partition, the story of everywoman who struggles to find a foothold in the city to a study of rage and true crime—the mix this year showed Indian authors writing about India, the neighbourhood, the borderlands, and the urban sprawl with young and wise eyes, critical and social conscience, and a mature handling of their material. To us, all these books are winners.

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- **Gulikakala**: 07:30 am to 09:00 am • **Yamaganda:** 01:30 pm to 03:00 pm

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Sunset 06.05 pm
Moonrise 04.58 pm
Moonset 05.23 am

In New Year, DCM plans big city makeover

Opens Hebbal flyover 2nd loop for smooth traffic to KIA, north B'luru

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DEPUTY Chief Minister DK Shivakumar inaugurated the second loop of the Hebbal flyover on Thursday.

Shivakumar said this would ensure smooth traffic for passengers heading to the international airport and for people living in north Bengaluru.

"There were many complaints about traffic congestion at Hebbal. We acted quickly and found a solution, which has helped ease traffic," he said.

He said the Bangalore Development Authority (BDA), which has completed 50 years, has taken up several historic projects. Land is being acquired from farmers for the 120-km-long Bengaluru Business Corridor (BBC), with 35% of developed commercial land being given back to farmers as compensation. Farmers are also being given good compensation for building small townships.

He added that in the coming days a 1.5-km tunnel road will be built in this area, a flyover will come up near Mekhri Circle, and plans are underway to build an elevated road from Tumakuru Road to KR Puram along the Outer Ring Road (ORR).

He said that though the Centre did not give funds, the government was still committed to giving Bengaluru a new look.

He said people were able to bid farewell to 2025 and welcome 2026 safely due to tight security arrangements. He congratulated Home Minister G Parameshwara and the home department for ensuring that there were no untoward incidents.

Vehicles ply on the second loop of Hebbal flyover after its inauguration by Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar on Thursday | VINOD KUMAR T

> *There were many complaints about traffic congestion at Hebbal. We acted quickly and found a solution, which has helped ease traffic* — DK Shivakumar, Deputy Chief Minister

DKS inspects skydeck site, says will teach NICE a lesson

DCM DK Shivakumar is briefed by officials during his inspection of the proposed Skydeck project site near NK Layout on Thursday | EXPRESS

DEPUTY Chief Minister and Bengaluru Development Minister DK Shivakumar on Thursday inspected the proposed skydeck project site near Nadaprabhu Kempegowda Layout in West Bengaluru and reviewed work on a railway underpass near Challaghatta and other road projects being executed by BDA. Shivakumar held discussions with senior officials overseeing the Rs 500-crore skydeck project. The officials briefed him about the availability of land, design feasibility, airspace constraints and project timelines. The 250-metre tall skydeck project has seen many changes with regard to its location and implementing agency over the years. Referring to land-related issues involving the Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board (KIADB) and Nandi Infrastructure Corridor Enterprises (NICE), he said the government will explore alternative land parcels if it faces litigation. "NICE people think they are bigger than the government. We will find a way for them. I know how to teach them a lesson," he said. He said the government sought a no-objection certificate from NICE for a piece of land required for the project. "We only asked them for an NOC, which they have not given. Still, we will take over and do whatever has to be done," he said. Shivakumar said a piece of land under BDA has been finalised for the project. "Bengaluru has a funnel problem because of restricted airspace. So, the Skydeck will be built only where the Airports Authority of India has given approval," he said.

CIVIC

A year in transition for Namma Bengaluru

STARTING Point 2026

"*Plus ça change, plus c'est la même chose*" (The more things change, the more they remain the same) goes the French proverb. This is what the civil society at large can expect from 2026. I don't say this in jest nor with my usual loaded sarcasm, but with a sense of frustration reflecting on the past few years. So, what can we possibly look forward to as a society united by our civic infrastructure woes, yet divided by the way forward to urban coexistence, perhaps?

Challenges for GBA

AS a city governance model, GBA will start to face the ground realities, specifically in self-sustenance and fiscal prudence, if left without any outside grants. The teething pain of integration of parastatals remains to be tested, the effectiveness of a committee of 75 plus as a governing body at work, and the devolution of powers to local ward-level administration, skilled staffing, etc., will all face major challenges. The notional creation on paper without any planning was easy. Now, execution as they say, is everything. So, a painful transition will persist well beyond 2026. Our patience with poor city governance has run out, or has it?

R RAJAGOPALAN
Convener, Bengaluru Coalition

Civic infra

The void for the last few years in infrastructure execution, thanks to near empty coffers and the civil contractor community that has been starved of long due payments, unwilling to take up new works, has been clearly front and centre.

Ease of mobility

Two major projects — the Business Corridor will be deemed financially viable and the Tunnel Road will be buried in a heap of environmental impact-based legal decisions. A few long-pending flyovers (Ejipura, Hebbal) will finally be completed. Metro delays will be more visible this year because the choke points have not at all been addressed. For example, rapid manufacturing and roll out of coaches of all issues still remain, skilled labour and other cost escalations will start to tighten the noose on execution as well as BMRCL operations. Last-mile connectivity will remain on paper for the most part.

Waste management

A crisis given multiple standoffs between stakeholders has been brewing for a while despite recent court directions and a power move to declare it a part of ESMA (Essential Services Maintenance Act). Unless resolved, it will rear its ugly head a few times this year. The long-pending tender and rollout of what is a flawed proposal continues to be a key event that might either make things worse or highlight the practical issues in what some in administration thought was the solution, will come to light. Either way, this transition is a heap of garbage, mostly self-made, and might leave a stink on the city streets despite safeguards under ESMA. Implementation of the SWM Rules 2016, a decade later, remains on paper.

Water and air

We are living in a red zone, groundwater levels-wise, and how many headlines do you need to get the authorities to enforce the law and manage this scarce resource for the coming years? Meanwhile, a city drunk on free flowing access to tap water might need to exercise restraint in its water misuse. A long-delayed Stage V rollout has yet to reach its full potential, while the Stage VI proposal takes shape on paper, with solar power use touted as a sustainability step. It's not merely supply-side management, the demand side needs enforcement and attention. Rainwater harvesting and treated water use should receive more attention this year. While we are in Delhi, AQI levels are something to watch for, and air pollution should start to take centre stage as we try to preserve our green cover.

74th amendment at work

Urban local body elections will happen, may not be by choice, but by the hand of law, thanks to the apex court. For our charmed city, across 369 wards, corporators will be chosen, who will be immediately thrown into the fire and tested, inheriting a local mess left by a decade long void in administration. This event and its machinations to follow will be meeting one of the key objectives of the amendment, to nurture and discover grassroots political leadership. With the devolution of powers comes great responsibility, especially when you have a society starved of local governance. This transition could go either way, depending on the "Class of 2026".

A few stray incidents, but NY fete largely peaceful, says Dr G

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BARRING a few stray incidents, the New Year celebrations in the city were largely peaceful. Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara said the celebrations were incident-free due to efficient policing and deployment of 20,000 police personnel.

DG and IGP Dr MA Saleem, along with other senior IPS officers, visited the home minister at his Sadashivanagar residence on Thursday and wished him for the New Year. Parameshwara himself personally monitored the security at the command centre in the office of the city police commissioner till 1.30 am on Thursday.

"We had expected a large number of people gathering for the celebrations. According to the police, nearly seven to eight lakh people ringed in the New Year on MG Road. 'Celebrate responsibly' was the motto for this year and everybody celebrated responsibly. There was no untoward incident and even the movement of traffic was normal," the home minister said.

Meanwhile, the Bengaluru Traffic Police conducted a 10-day special drive on drunken driving and booked 4,648 cases against two-wheelers and four wheelers. The traffic police had checked 3,30,106 vehicles during the special drive. On Wednesday alone, the traffic police checked 28,500 vehicles and booked 501 riders/drivers.

incidents on New Year

- A youth was attacked in the central business district. The police shifted him to the Bowring Hospital for treatment.
- A cab driver was attacked by over 10 persons near the Hudson Circle.
- Doddaballapura Rural police raided a farmhouse at Heggadahalli where a New Year party was being held without permission from the authorities. The raid came after locals complained of loud music. Around 40 people were in the party. The police seized liquor and are questioning the farmhouse owner and the event organisers.

Clean-up crew removes nine tonnes of waste

Sanitation workers deployed by the Bengaluru Central Municipal Corporation cleared nine tonne of waste in just five hours after the New Year celebrations on from MG Road, Brigade Road, Church Street, St Mark's Road, Residency Road and 100-ft Road in Indiranagar on Thursday morning.

URBAN CHECK

GBA OFFICIALS, 300 CITIZENS TAKE A 26-KM FOOTPATH WALK

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ON New Year's Day, Bengaluru hosted Walkaluru, a civic initiative aimed at highlighting pedestrian safety, walkable urban infrastructure, and sustainable city development. The 26-km group footpath walk underscored the city's commitment to a pedestrian-friendly urban vision.

The walk commenced at 7am, with the participation of over 300 citizens and pedestrians in the age range of 9 to 76 years. Walking strictly on footpaths along the designated route, 165 participants successfully completed the 26-km distance by 6.30pm.

Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) Chief Commissioner M Maheshwar Rao, who flagged off the walk at RV Road Metro Station, said, "The footpath walk covered major corridors and localities across the city, including RV Road, Jayanagar, Siddapura, Lalbagh, KH Road, K-100 Corridor, Hosur Road, Richmond Road, Cubbon Park, Vidhana Soudha, Cubbon Road, Halasur Lake, Cantonment Railway Station, Jayamahal, Mehkri Circle, and Yeshwanthpur. There are places which need to be fixed as they may cause injuries to pedestrians. That apart, public toilets are also essential."

The walk also covered the 2-km K-100 Citizen's Waterway. On this stretch, walkers observed three Kempegowda Towers, one lake, two parks, and continuous pedestrian pathways, reflecting Bengaluru's evolving urban landscape and public space planning.

Some of the walkers highlighted the need for additional ramps at certain locations, which could improve accessibility and ease of movement.

GBA Chief Commissioner M Maheshwar Rao walks with citizens on Thursday

Top officials walk along

The walk saw active participation of Chief Secretary Shalini Rajneesh and Commissioners of South, West and North City Corporations, who walked to reclaim pedestrian rights.

EXPRESS READ

Three-day workshop on quantum tech to be held from Jan 19

THE Karnataka Science and Technology Academy is organising a three-day workshop on 'Quantum Technologies: Fundamentals, Computation and Applications' from January 19 to 21. The three-day lecture series aims to introduce participants to fundamental principles, computational frameworks and real-world applications of quantum technologies. Participation is limited to 80 entries with registrations open till January 15. The entry fee is Rs 299 for PG students, Rs 399 for associates or institutional members, Rs 499 for research scholars and Rs 750 for faculty and industry participants. The first 35 to register will be entitled for free accommodation. Those interested can call 9620767819 or 80-29721550. ENS

Horoscopes By Holiday

HOLIDAY MATHIS

02nd January : Wolf Moon Preludes There are an unusual number of lunar oppositions preceding tomorrow's Wolf Moon, the first supermoon of 2026. The emotional tug echoes a truth about intimacy: Those closest to us evoke the deepest reactions. Their friction, their barbs, even their resistance can be, on some level, the tender proof that we matter to one another.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
It won't be necessary to meet anyone halfway because people want what you want. So you'll have effortless compatibility -- the kind where you just understand each other and don't have to compromise.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 - May 20)
The day asks for forgiveness, especially of yourself. Carrying old blame into a new year is like wearing too many coats for the weather. Shed it. You've learned what you needed to know, and today you are brand new.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 21)
Forget about mistakes of the past. Compassionate integration is the way. Take the lesson, close the chapter and let the ghosts linger in history where they belong. This new day is for the living.

CANCER (June 22 - July 22)
Don't worry so much about timing. You're not behind. It's impossible to know other people's process, so don't bother comparing. You're headed toward good things, and nothing can keep you from your destiny.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22)
Outdated identities no longer fit? Just drop them. You don't owe loyalty to other versions of yourself. Your self-definition is allowed to change with the times, with your circumstances and according to your latest expectations.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)
They say knowledge is power, but today highlights the more accurate truth: knowledge is (SET ITAL) potential (END ITAL) power. Application is everything! The insight you pick up will be a treasure just as soon as you figure out how to use it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)
You'll find yourself lit up by a podcast or conversation that feeds your mind in a way real-life people haven't lately. It'll remind you that your people are out there, even if today they're voices through speakers.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)
You may feel like hiding your creativity until it's "ready," but that will slow you down. What if you opted for playful experimentation instead? Make messy drafts, weird notes and unfinished scenes, and let the process be joyful instead of secretive.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
People tend to do what's easy for them. Those who do more aren't necessarily working harder; they just have more skill or strength. What looks impressive is still easy for them. Those are the ones to hire, befriend and learn from.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)
You put people first, and everything good comes from that choice. Relationships bring you opportunities that no one could have predicted. Bonus: When you're busy making magic for others, your own life feels magical.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
Emotional downsides such as embarrassment, rejection or temporary discomfort will be quickly overcome and are worth risking if the upside is money, opportunity, relationships, reputation or progress.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - Mar 20)
You'll have one moment where you think, "Wow, I'm actually proud of how I handled that." Whether it's a boundary, a decision or a tiny act of self-respect, it'll feel like a small but unmistakable shift into your next era.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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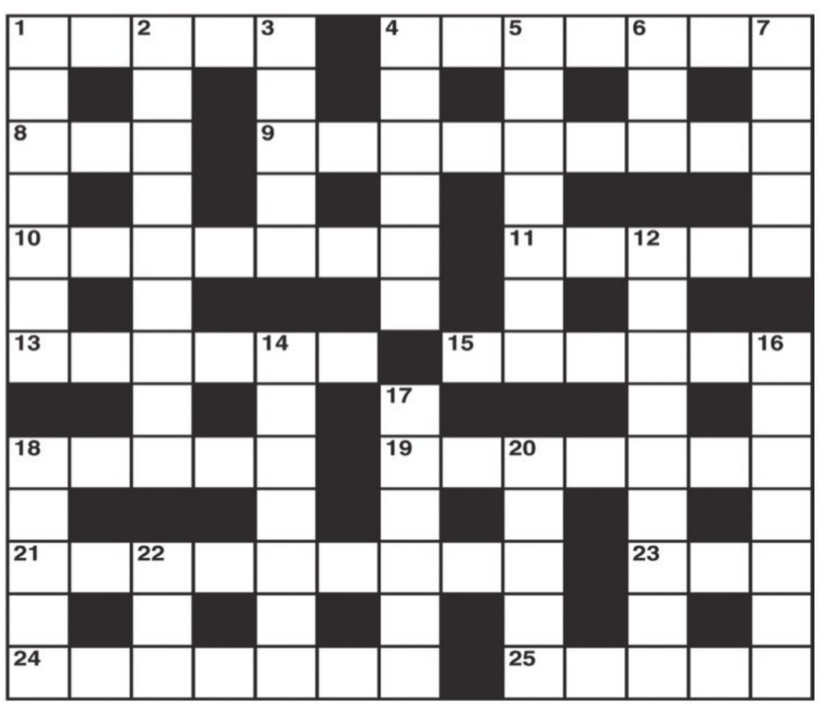

CROSS WORD

ACROSS

1 Light suit for the wedding (5)
4 Make the most economical use of a man (7)
8 This way to a foreign country (3)
9 The form aims often take (9)
10 Fruit and nuts (7)
11 People having them will be forearmed (5)
13 Stout king in his den (6)
15 Pay for a seat (6)
18 A number grow sick and get benefit (5)
19 Appropriate Verdi composition holds the record (7)
21 Source of Christmas decorations in California (9)
23 Essential part of the regiment (3)
24 Withdraws wrong decrees (7)
25 Dependable form of alloy (5)

DOWN

1 Small U-boat turned up as popular transport (7)
2 The first natural shock over a hairy creature (9)
3 It's anybody's race (5)
4 Fair puts a point on blunt end (6)
5 Well up in colour (7)
6 A ship; possibly a carrier (3)
7 Declines to have minor operations under a doctor (5)
12 A monthly gathering? (4,2,3)
14 Set down in the act but evidently deferred (7)
16 Possibly learnt about Eastern immortal (7)
17 Do rise above debts admitted to be bad (6)
18 Have no taste for wild boar with hot stuffing (5)
20 Plead for one trodden underfoot (5)
22 Sounds like a shortage of resin (3)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Housebound, 8 Abbot, 9 Habitue, 10 Chamois, 11 Aimed, 12 Indeed, 14 Fencer, 17 Noted, 19 Hostage, 21 Express, 22 Posts, 23 Resistance.

Down: 2 Onboard, 3 Set-to, 4 Behest, 5 Umbrage, 6 Datum, 7 Tenderness, 8 Auctioneer, 13 Endless, 15 Classic, 16 Chasms, 18 Tapir, 20 Sepia.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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Do you like our chances of reeling them in today?
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer here:

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: ABATE TREND MODEST STRESS
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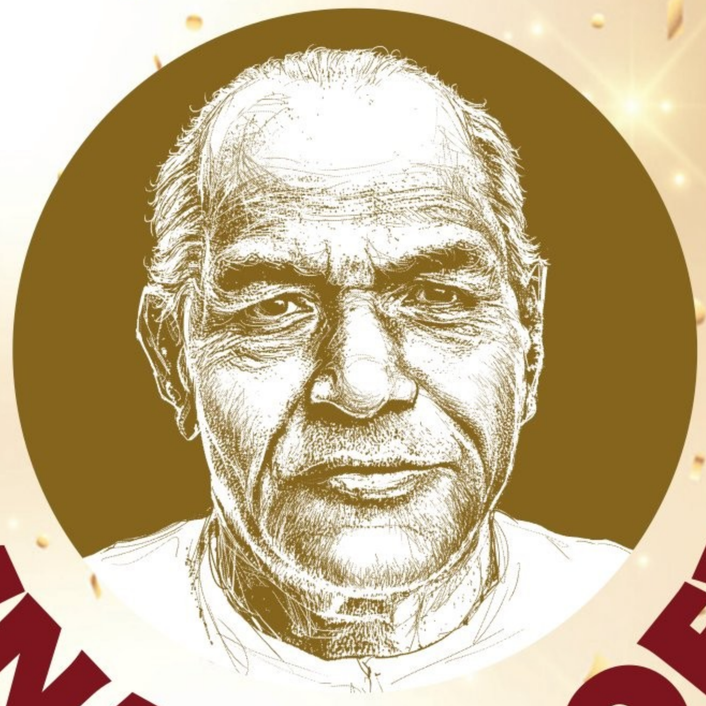

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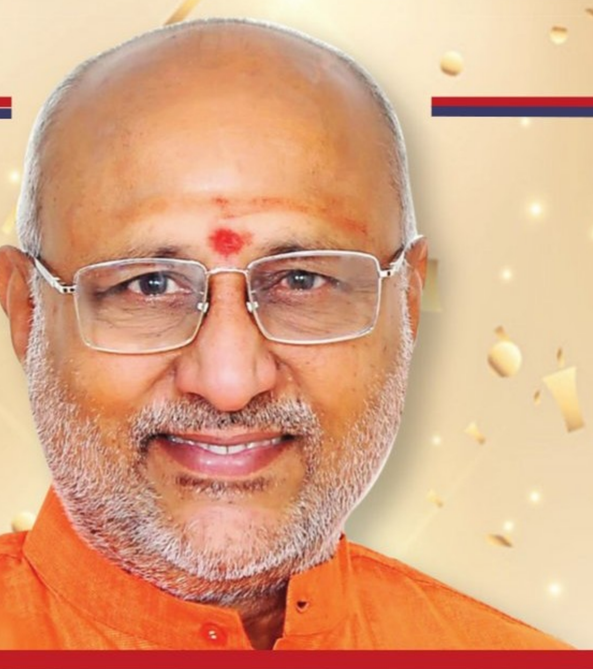

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Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Thursday said he will soon start preparations to present the state's budget. Speaking to reporters at Vidhan Soudha, the CM said he will hold meetings with different departments in January itself. He is likely to present the budget in the last week of February or the first week of March. It will be his record 17th budget as state finance minister

MANYA PATIL MURDER

Lingayats to hold day of penance in Gadag today

Crime goes against Basavanna's principles, say activists

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

IN an unprecedented act of public introspection, members of the influential Lingayat community will observe day-long penance and atonement on Friday to condemn the brutal 'honour' killing of a 19-year-old pregnant woman for marrying outside her caste. This is probably a first such in independent India.

The repentance programme will be held from 10am at Mahatma Gandhi Circle in Gadag, where Lingayat writers, activists and pro-Basava organisations will gather to denounce the murder of Manya Patil, allegedly killed by her own father and relatives for marrying a Dalit youth. Manya, a resident of Inamveerapur village in Hubballi taluk, had married Vivekananda Doddamani, a Dalit man from the same village, despite stiff family opposition.

The couple registered their marriage in June 2025 and returned to the village earlier this month, hoping for reconciliation as Manya was pregnant. Instead, her family allegedly hacked her to death, killing her unborn child as well. Vivekananda and his family members were injured in the attack.

Calling the murder a betrayal of the core values of the Lingayat faith, author and activist Meenakshi Bali said the crime mocked the teachings of Basavanna, the 12th-century reformer who rejected caste hierarchies and championed social equality, and even encouraged such 'pratiloma' marriages. "It is an irony. Basavanna stood for a casteless society and encouraged inter-caste marriages. Here, a self-proclaimed follower is accused of killing his own daughter for precisely that," she said.

Bali noted that while some families have historically "socially boycotted" children who defied caste norms, this case crossed every moral line. "Rejection is cruel enough. This is murder. How can any Lingayat accept this?" she asked.

Ashok Baragundi, an IIT graduate and one of the organisers, said the gathering was meant to send a clear message. "This is not the first time caste prejudice has surfaced, but this time it ended in murder. As Jagathika Lingayat and pro-Basava groups, we are coming together to atone and say this is unacceptable," he told TNIE. "We also want stronger laws and social awareness so such killings never happen again," he added.

Activists said the event would also address the disturbing online abuse targeting the Dalit family even after the murder. Dalit organisations and progressive groups have welcomed the initiative, calling it a rare and necessary step toward confronting entrenched caste violence. "This is about collective accountability. Penance won't bring justice, but it can shake consciences," a Dalit leader said.

Sources said some organisers had received threats but have refused to heed to them. Ashok Baragundi confirmed he had received a threat call on Wednesday. "It doesn't matter, we will go ahead with the meeting," he said.

NEW YEAR, NEW START

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah with additional chief secretaries, principal secretaries and other government officials after conducting the first meeting of the New Year at Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru on Thursday. Right: Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar extends his New Year greetings to AICC President Mallikarjuna Kharge

BJP plans mega stir against rehab plan

KOGILU EVICTION

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE state unit of BJP on Thursday announced that it will organise a massive protest at Freedom Park here on January 5 against the Congress government's "hasty" decision to provide houses to the families affected by the recent demolition drive at Kogilu.

After a meeting of BJP's fact-finding committee, Yelahanka MLA **SR Vishwanath** said that his party will expose what he called a blatant reward for law breakers.

He said, "How can the government rush to allot houses in a week to those who had illegally occupied its land, while genuine poor Kannadigas wait for years?"

Vishwanath said the committee will inspect the land, collect survey numbers and details of families that had been living there after encroaching it.

Slamming the Siddaramaiah government's decision, Vishwanath said, "In my constituency, houses are under construction. But people who paid money six years ago for houses under various government schemes got nothing. Such beneficiaries in Bengaluru need a five-year residency certificate from revenue officials. It is illegal to issue such certificates to people whose unauthorised houses had been demolished. Efforts are being made to grant houses overnight to encroachers."

Vishwanath said, "Providing electricity connections to illegal structures on government land itself is a crime. Cases should have been filed against those who had helped such families get electricity connections."

"If the government goes ahead with its decision, we'll challenge it in a court of law and also petition the governor," he said.

Govt rewards encroachment, says BJP MLA

Bengaluru: Yeshwanthpur MLA ST Somashekar has strongly opposed the Karnataka government's decision to provide houses to families displaced by the removal of encroachments in Kogilu Layout, Bengaluru. Somashekar criticised the government's move to hand over houses, saying it rewards illegal encroachment while the genuine poor across the state await housing for years. He echoed BJP leaders' concerns that prioritising these evictees could encourage further land grabs and questioned the verification of beneficiaries' backgrounds. Opposition leaders have highlighted inconsistencies in rehabilitation policies compared to previous eviction drives. As surveys continue to identify eligible families, the government has postponed house handovers amid mounting criticism. **ENS**

Only makeshift tents remain of what were houses after the demolition drive at Kogilu Layout in Yelahanka, Bengaluru | KEVIN NASHON

Activists dismiss BJP's charges

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THE government was also accused of playing to the gallery following the direction from KC Venugopal, AICC General Secretary (Organisation), to look into the demolition. The action is perceived as damage control, as the party will face an assembly election in Kerala and is heavily banking on minority votes.

Social activists from 'Dudiyojanara Vedike' have released Google images, showing homes in Fakeer Layout in 2012. They shared the images stating that the slums did not mushroom under the Congress government but were present even during BJP regimes under CMs Basavaraj Bommai, Yediyurappa and DV Sadananda Gowda.

The activists claimed that the Google map showed that around 50 homes where Fakeers had settled about 30 years ago and obtained voter and Aadhaar cards. "They are now Karnataka residents who have documents," said Manohar Elavarthi from the Vedike.

Govt withdraws order to shift SSLC students to govt schools

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

IN an important decision, the education department and Karnataka State Examination and Assessment Board (KSEAB) have withdrawn their decision of moving SSLC students from private schools to neighbourhood government schools to write their SSLC examinations this year.

As several private schools had failed to procure a Renewal of Recognition certificate (RR) from the department of education and school literacy, on December 28, the department instructed officials to tag SSLC students from such private schools to nearby government schools. However, private school associations opposed the move and stated that the department has no rights to shift students "forcibly" to a government school.

"Education Minister Madhu Bangarappa formed a committee headed by Puttanna, former member of the Legislative Council, recently during the winter session to look into the issue of renewal of recognition of schools. The committee is yet to come out with its decision. A lot of private schools face the issue of corruption in the department when they go for renewal of recognition. Besides, they have to get clearance from the fire department, income tax, land conversion certificate and others. Most of the schools haven't applied for RR this year," said D Shashikumar, secretary, Associated Management of Primary and Secondary Schools in Karnataka (KAMS). "The department has no right to move our SSLC students to government schools. After opposing the decision by the department, they have withdrawn their decision and students are allowed to write the exams under their respective schools. In the past, SSLC students from these private schools have written the exams."

KSEAB and education department officials were not available for comment.

Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara and Dalit leaders offer tributes to Dr BR Ambedkar at an event to mark the Mahar victory in Bhima Koregaon, in Bengaluru on Thursday | EXPRESS

I too want to become CM: Parameshwara

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI
@Bengaluru

HOME Minister Dr G Parameshwara on Thursday expressed his interest in becoming chief minister. "A human being must have aspirations, otherwise he/she will not feel human. Like everyone else, I too have aspirations", he told reporters.

Senior officers in the state home department have been given promotions and the minister was asked would he too get a political promotion. "I have lived as an optimist till now. Everyone has a desire for something to happen in life. If the high command decides, it will happen. It is up to the elders (to make a decision)."

After becoming an MLA and minister, aspiring for the CM's seat is a natural progression, hinted Parameshwara.

The 74-year-old politician is a six-time MLA and one-time MLC. He has served as KPCC president for a record eight years (2010-2018).

On Thursday he displayed his credentials as a Dalit and follower of Dr BR Ambedkar by attending an event commemorating the Mahars' victory in Bhima Koregaon battle on January 1, 1818, near Pune in Maharashtra, at Nagasena Grounds near his residence in Bengaluru.

According to sources Parameshwara, who has been in the good books of Congress Parliamentary Party (CPP) president Sonia Gandhi, has been silently lobbying for the top post.

Some of his supporters, including former Hubballi Dharwad Corporation Mayor Anilkumar Patil, had met Sonia Gandhi in Delhi to submit a petition. Later some others had staged a demonstration outside Indira Bhavan while the Congress Working Committee (CWC) meeting was underway on December 27.

Some of the sympathizers of Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, especially AHINDA leaders, have issued a statement that if he has to step down anytime in future Parameshwara should be given the top post and not Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar.

Interestingly, a section of Dalit leaders led by Bilikere Raju in Mysuru, Siddaramaiah's home turf, last Sunday urged that the latter should sacrifice the CM post to a Dalit leader, especially Parameshwara. "Only then we will take part in the AHINDA convention (slated to be held in Mysuru on January 25), otherwise we will skip it", he warned.

Ministers rubbish 'mini-B'desh' claims

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KARNATAKA'S Congress government on Thursday rebutted Opposition leader R Ashoka's allegations that illegal Bangladeshi immigrants are being rehabilitated after the demolition of houses built on encroached government land at Kogilu Layout in Bengaluru. It stressed that the houses will be given only to those who were verified.

Housing and Waqf Minister BZ Zameer Ahmed Khan said, "How is it possible to allot houses to outsiders who are not from Karnataka? If they are Bangladeshis, let the Opposition prove it. They should not speak irresponsibly."

Khan stressed that allotments under housing schemes require valid documents like Aadhaar and BPL cards. "All of them are locals. Even if any outsiders were staying temporarily, we will not allot houses to them," he said, slamming the BJP charges as "propaganda".

Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy defended the government's move. "They are poor - none of them is rich. Rich people don't live in such houses. We are providing houses for them."

The fiery exchange follows the December 20 demolition of 167 unauthorised structures in Fakir and Waseem colonies on government land earmarked for solid waste management. After backlash, including from Kerala CM Pinarayi Vijayan and Congress high command, the Siddaramaiah government announced alternative flats in Baiyappanahalli for eligible evictees, delaying handover from January 1 to January 2 for rigorous verification.

Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara vowed police checks and deportation of any illegal immigrants if found.

Ashoka, who inspected the site on Wednesday, accused the Congress of fostering a "mini Bangladesh" through appeasement, citing rapid settlement growth, quick amenities and national security risks. The BJP has demanded an NIA probe and formed a fact-finding panel.

The bitter standoff underscores raging debates over encroachment clearance, minority rehabilitation and charges of vote-bank politics in India's tech capital.

BJP writes to Pinarayi, says his tweets will help homeless

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru:

BJP workers from Mandya have penned a sarcastic letter to Kerala CM Pinarayi Vijayan over the Kogilu encroachment clearance drive, pointing out serious anomalies in the Congress government's housing policies. The BJP has urged the Kerala CM to post a tweet on the poor and urban poor in Karnataka who have no houses.

The letter reads, "Dear Kerala CM Pinarayi Vijayan, there are plenty of poor people in our state. Please post one tweet, if you post a tweet our government will immediately provide houses."

The letter comes in the backdrop of a drive to clear encroachments in Kogilu Layout in North Bengaluru, where 150-200 illegal dwellings were removed on December 20. The encroachments were cleared from 5 acres of land, said to be worth about Rs 80 crore. Opposition leader R Ashoka pointed out that the land is worth about Rs 600 crore, and is part of a larger parcel of about 14 acres, which had been encroached by "illegal migrants". The land belongs to Karnataka Solid Waste Management Limited, which is a government company.

Kerala CM Vijayan had tweeted about the "brutal normalisation of bulldozer raj" and accused the Congress of being anti-minority. The Karnataka government has stoutly defended its action, saying it was necessary to remove encroachments. Amid this row, AICC General Secretary KC Venugopal brought in pressure on the Karnataka government which soon announced that it would rehabilitate eligible evictees under its housing schemes, and provide alternative accommodation for them in Baiyappanahalli.

The Mandya BJP workers recounted this in their letter and mocked the state Congress, asking about all the poor people in Karnataka who are waiting for genuine allotment of houses. BJP said appeasement politics and prioritization of illegal settlers, as against the genuine poor, was to blame. BJP state president Vijayendra said rehabilitation of the evictees was done under pressure due to Kerala politics, and critics are linking it to assembly elections due in Kerala soon.

DESPITE BAN, KERALA LOTTERIES A BIG DRAW IN K'TAKA BORDER VILLAGES

KARTHIK K K @Mysuru

DESPITE a complete ban on lotteries in Karnataka, the illegal sale of lottery tickets, mainly from neighbouring Kerala, is rampant in several border villages, particularly in Chamarajanagar district.

Lured by the hope of overnight riches, many daily wage labourers and workers from unorganised sectors are falling prey to the illegal trade that has quietly thrived. Kerala lottery tickets are openly circulated in villages along the Karnataka-Kerala borders, especially in villages near Gundlupet, Chamarajanagar and Kollegal.

Though the state government has banned the lottery to safeguard vulnerable sections from financial exploitation, enforcement gaps have allowed the trade to go underground, benefiting agents and middlemen.

The depth of the problem is evident from recent arrests. A few days ago, a 48-year-old man in Terakanambi village of Gundlupet taluk was arrested for allegedly selling Kerala lottery tickets. This year, Chamarajanagar police arrested four persons in separate cases for selling banned lottery tickets.

According to villagers in Terakanambi, the demand remains strong despite repeated warnings.

"Daily wage earners, especially those involved in tender coconut vending and other informal jobs, spend their hard-earned money on these lotteries," said Ramesh.

Lottery tickets are typically sold at prices ranging from Rs 50 to Rs 250 with the prize money going up to Rs 50 lakh.

A source said tickets are often sold at a higher price than the printed rate, further increasing profits for agents. Data from the Karnataka police revealed that 78 cases were booked in 2023 under the Karnataka Lottery Prohibition Act which came down to 54 in 2024. However, this year till November, 64 cases have been booked in the state.

The arrested are being booked under Sections 4(1), 5 and 7 of the Karnataka Lottery and Prize Competitions Control and Tax Act. Villagers said stricter surveillance and coordinated action across border districts are essential to curb the menace.

A 35-year-old autorickshaw driver was stabbed to death while he was returning home after attending a New Year eve party in KP Agrahara police limits on Thursday around 12.30am. The deceased has been identified as Rechanna, a resident of Bhuvaneshwari Nagar. The accused, who followed Rachaiah, stabbed him many times near his house. Old rivalry is suspected to be the reason for his murder

Maintenance work triggers frequent power cuts

KPTCL says power shutdowns needed to fix power leaks; officials say system has reached saturation point

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

PARTS of Namma Bengaluru are now experiencing frequent power cuts because of maintenance work, according to officials from the Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Ltd (KPTCL) and Bangalore Electricity Supply Company (Bescom).

"Power leaks and other technical issues, including transmission and distribution (T&D) losses, can be addressed only by switching off power supply and managing with existing equipment. Prices of conductors, reactors, capacitors and other equipment have gone up. The state is unable to meet the rising costs. So, to make do with what we have, power supply is being switched off at regular intervals to undertake maintenance work," a senior KPTCL official said. As per data from the energy department, T&D losses amount to around 2.9% per annum, plus or minus 0.5%. This is the maximum limit set by the Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (KERC).

The official said, "We have reached the saturation point. To reduce it, we need funds. Also, the demand for power increases from January when temperatures rise. To ensure that high-voltage capacitors and lines do not snap, we launched maintenance work early this year."

A Bescom official said, "Whether there is peak load or not, we have to undertake regular maintenance work. Otherwise, power lines, transformers and other equipment will run into problems as they are old. Large sums of money are needed to upgrade or replace them.

Instead, we are switching off power lines at regular intervals at problematic locations to undertake repair work in advance."

A route map is being prepared to check the power network across the state. Karnataka has over 40,000 km of power network. Of this, 4,000 km is in Bengaluru. "New city corporations and various government departments will start civil works soon. Hence, we decided to initiate the task of shifting utilities in advance. This will help reduce power cuts during summer and monsoon," the Bescom official said

BECC issues safety guidelines for PGs, hostels

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THE Bangalore East City Corporation (BECC) has issued a public health and safety advisory to all paying guest accommodations, service apartments and hostels within its jurisdiction to inspect their premises and ensure strict compliance within seven days. The premises must comply with all safety regulations as prescribed by the city corporation, along with all other applicable safety norms. This has been issued after the recent commercial-grade gas cylinder blast at a PG in Kundalahalli, which claimed the life of a techie and seriously injured three others.

Commissioner of the Bengaluru East City Corporation, D S Ramesh stated that the protocol promotes safety through use of authorised LPG connections, prohibition of excess gas cylinder storage, proper ventilation and fire safety measures, functional fire extinguishers on site, emergency exits, electrical safety and need of valid trade licenses. They also noted that special inspections will be conducted by BECC officers and penal action will be initiated on non-compliance.

FAITH MARKS 2026

Devotees visit the Iskcon Temple at Vaikuntha Hill, Vasanthapura, while the faithful offer prayers at St Mary's Basilica in Shivajinagar on the first day of 2026 | KEVIN NASHON, VINOD KUMAR T

WINZO GAMING FRAUD

ED raids audit firm, freezes Rs 192crore

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

OFFICIALS attached to the Enforcement Directorate (ED), Bengaluru Zonal Office, conducted a search operation at the office premises of the accounting firm for WinZo Pvt Ltd, under Section 17 of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002, on Tuesday. WinZO Pvt Ltd is into the business of online real money gaming services through its app WinZO. During the search, Proceeds of Crime (POC) possessed by ZO Games Pvt Ltd (fully owned Indian subsidiary of WinZo Pvt Ltd) worth around Rs 192 crore, was frozen in the form of bank balances, FDRs and mutual funds under Section 17 (1A) of PMLA, 2002, according to an ED press statement.

On November 18, 2025, ED had conducted search and seizure operations at the WinZo office premises, and residential premises of its director. The evidence unearthed during the search and subsequent investigation revealed that the company was engaged in criminal activities and unscrupulous practices i.e, customers were made to play with BOTS/AI/Algorithms/software (termed as PPP/EP/Persona) without being made aware of it and not with humans in real money games. WinZo has also prevented/limited withdrawals of monies held by customers in its wallets.

The company also generated POC in the form of 'Rake Commission' from matches played by BOTs with real players on their WinZo app. In this manner, the company had made winnings of around Rs 177 crore from the BOTS, from May 2024 to August 2025, and approximately Rs 557 crore from April 2022 to December 2023.

Also, the company was in possession of users' monies amounting to Rs 43 crore. Investigation has revealed that WinZo generated POC of around Rs 802 crore.

Crash on Pune–Bluru NH 48 exposes safety lapses

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chitradurga

THE recent road accident involving a bus and a truck that were engulfed in flames has given rise to numerous unanswered questions, particularly concerning the incomplete stretch of the Pune-Bengaluru NH 48 between Chitradurga and Tumkuru. A significant portion of the roadway between Hiriyur and Tumkuru remains under construction, forcing vehicles to navigate the service road. Compounding this issue, the median is notably narrow, which increases the likelihood of vehicles overrunning it. Highway officials, tasked with installing iron railings on the median, have neglected this responsibility, thereby facilitating the occurrence of accidents.

In a conversation with *TNIE*, Anjini, a regular commuter said, "Since the inauguration of the six-lane road, I have been forced to use the service road for the majority of the journey between Chitradurga and Tumkuru. The road is poorly designed and substandard. The NHAI has been entirely negligent in addressing the challenges faced by vehicle owners."

At Vasantha Narasapura, the construction of an underpass has been ongoing for the past two years without completion, yet toll collection continues unabated. Anjini urged the government to instruct toll operators to cease toll collection on this road.

Furthermore, there is a glaring lack of medical facilities for those injured in accidents on the highway in the Chitradurga and Hiriyur areas.

EXPRESS READ

17-yr-old dies by suicide over family disputes

Bengaluru: Upset over her parents' separation, a 17-year-old girl died by suicide at her house in Ittamadu on Wednesday night. In a note, Lekhana stated that she took the extreme step as she felt lonely though she lived with her mother. "I did not get any parental care and nobody is responsible for my death," she said. Lekhana reportedly discontinued studies after failing the Class 10 exam. Lekhana's mother, who woke up at midnight, saw her daughter hanging from the ceiling fan. It is learnt that they used to fight frequently in the presence of their daughter over petty issues. Lekhana's mother works in a supermarket. They had recently moved to Ittamadu a fortnight ago.

Two die in separate road accidents in city

Bengaluru: Two persons died in separate road accidents in the city on Thursday morning. Sharath Kumar, 39, a resident of Vyalikaval, died on the spot when the motorcycle he was riding rammed a compound wall near Ramaswamy temple on Cunningham Road. Kumar's body was shifted to Bowring Hospital's mortuary. Kumar, an autorickshaw driver, was returning home after attending a New Year party. High Grounds traffic police have registered a case. Sumit Kumar, 28, died when a car hit the bicycle he was riding on Bellandur Lake Road at Yamalur in HAL Airport traffic police limits around 5.30 am. He was shifted to a private hospital where he was declared dead on arrival. The driver fled the spot leaving the car behind.

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S.N.	SHORT DESCRIPTION OF ITEM	QUANTITY	T.O.D.	Tender No
815	Brake Cylinder 355mm	1031 Nos	02-Feb-26	23250916
816	Gang Way Bridge Mounting Assembly	1599 Nos	29-Jan-26	15252075
817	Porcelain 9 Tonne Insulator	1008 Nos	29-Jan-26	06252940A
818	Aerosol based fire detection & suppression system as per RCF EDML 0184 (Type-I, Corr-1)	6903 Set	27-Jan-26	04255176
819	Supply, Installation & Commissioning of Pit less Electronics In-motion Weigh Bridge (EIMWB) along with CAMC to 06 locations as per Annexure-B1 attached below	12 Nos	26-Jan-26	11255048A

CORRIGENDUM
Please read the quantity as "107 Set" for the tender notice no S-74-2025 dated: 19.12.2025 at Sr. No. 789
Please read the due date as "06.01.2026" for the tender notice no S-71-2025 dated: 01.12.2025 at Sr. No. 746
Regarding detailed notice EMD, Purchase restrictions and detailed tender conditions, please visit website **www.ireps.gov.in** and **wr.indianrailways.gov.in** 0962
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GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
Department of Minor Irrigation and Ground Water Development
Office of the Executive Engineer
M.I. & GWD Division, Mysore
TENDER NOTIFICATION NO: 27/2025-26, Dated: 31.12.2025
On behalf of the Governer of Karnataka, the Executive Engineer, M.I. & GWD Division, Mysore invites tenders from registered and eligible contractors under "Kppp" Portal as per the terms and conditions prescribed in standard tender documents of KW1 ONE work, amount put ot tender Rs.240.86 lakhs, EMD amount Rs.3.61 lakhs. The other tender details are given below. Any information regarding this tender may be obtained from this office during office hours up to: Date: 06.01.2026 – 5-30 PM. Last date to upload the tenders with the prescribed E.M.D and requisite documents through website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in: Date: 07.01.2026 – 5.30 PM. The bids will be opened: Date: 09.01.2026 – 11-00 AM
Note: All the rights are reserved for postponement or cancellation of all bids or any individual bids of this tender notification without assigning any reasons by the under signed. The terms and conditions for each work is published in the "Kppp" Tender Portal. Any corrigendum pertains to above tender will be published in e-Procurement Portal only.
Sd/- Executive Engineer
DIPR/DDMYS/1454/KSMCA/826/2025-26

Guardian Souharda Sahakari Bank Niyamita
No. 139, Infantry Road, Bangalore – 560001. Ph: 080- 25580972 / 73 / 25580974
POSSESSION NOTICE
Under Rule8(1) (For Immovable Of Property)
GNC-86000353900(John Mathew)
WHEREAS, The undersigned being the authorized officer of the Guardian Souharda Sahakari Bank Niyamita under the securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of security interest Act 2002 and in Exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(2) of the above act read with rule 9 of the security interest rules issued a demand notice as on 31st December 2025 calling upon the borrowers/sureties of **(1) John Mathew (2) Sony John (3) Prakash K.P.**, to Repay amount Mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 11,39,208/- (Rupees Eleven lakhs thirty Nine Thousand Two Hundred Eight only)** as on 31st December 2025 together with incidental expenses, costs charges etc, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The borrowers / Mortgager / Guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers / Mortgager / Guarantors and the public in general that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the Guardian Souharda Sahakari Bank Niyanita, Infantry Road, Bangalore, has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers Conferred on his under section 13(4) of the said act with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 on 1st January 2026.
The borrowers / Mortgager / Guarantors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with property will be subject to the charge of the Guardian Souharda Sahakari Bank Niyamita for an amount of **Rs. 11,26,536/-** as on 1st January 2026, with incidental expenses, Costs, Charges Etc, Thereon The borrowers / Mortgager / Guarantors attention is invited to provisions of the sub- section(9) of the section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.
SCHEDULE
All the piece and parcel of the Property Site No. 42, Sy. No. 24/2, 24/6, 24/8, 24/9, 24/10, 24/11, Ajjanahalli Village within the limits of Ajjanahalli Village, Panchayet, Tavarekere Hobili, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, Measuring East to West 12.19 meters (40ft) and North To South 9.14 Meters (30ft) Totally Measuring 111.48 Sq. Meters (1200 ft.) which is Morefully described in the schedule hereunder and hereinafter referred to as "Schedule Property".
The site Boundaries are: East by: Site No. 39, West by: 30 ft. Road, North by: Site No. 42, South by: Site No. 41.
Place: Bengaluru For Guardian Souharda Sahakari Bank Niyamitha
Date: 01.01.2026 Sd/-
Authorised Officer, CEO

Admission Announcement
18th Batch Admissions 2026
PGDM (ABM)
Post Graduate Diploma in Management (Agri Business Management)
Approved by: AICTE
Accreditated by: NBA
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Online Application Open till 28th February, 2026
ELIGIBILITY
- Four year Bachelor's degree in Agriculture or allied sciences from any University or Institution recognized by UGC.
- Have a valid score of CAT-2025 /CMAT-2026.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE
The candidate shall submit the application ONLINE only, which opens from **1st Jan, 2026**. CAT/CMAT scores shall be submitted once the results are declared. For detailed eligibility, selection criteria and application procedure, please visit website: **https://naarm.org.in/abm26/**
INTERVIEW CENTRES
Applicants may choose from among the following Centres for Selection Process:
- Hyderabad
- New Delhi
- Kolkata
- Pune

Contact:
Head of Administration & Registrar
ICAR-NAARM, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad-500 030, Telangana
Email: naarm.abm2026@gmail.com
Ph: (040) 24581271/308/309/502/555

भाकृअनुप - राष्ट्रीय कृषि अनुसंधान प्रबंध अकादमी
राजेन्द्रनगर, हैदराबाद-500030, तेलंगाणा, भारत
ICAR-National Academy of Agricultural Research Management
Rajendranagar, Hyderabad-500030, Telangana, India

Government of Odisha e-Procurement Notice
INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)
Bid Identification No. C. C. E, Dkl. (R&B) 14/2025-26
Email Id- sedklpwd@gmail.com
Letter No. 2689 / Dt. 30/12/2025
B-918: The Chief Construction Engineer, Dhenkanal (R&B) Circle, Dhenkanal on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites Percentage Rate bids in double cover system to be received in ONLINE MODE from eligible contractors for Building work as detailed below:

1. Name of the work	:	Building work
2. No of works	:	01 (One) No
3. Estimated cost	:	**Rs.2.99 Crore (as given in column No. 03 of table)**
4. Cost of tender paper	:	Rs.10,000.00
5. Class of contractor	:	'B' Class & 'A' Class **(as given in column No. 07. of table)**
6. Period of Completion of work	:	09(Nine) Calendar months **(as given in column No. 08. of table)**
7. Date and time of availability of bid document in the website	:	From Dt.06.01.2026 to 5.00 P.M. of Dt.20.01.2026
8. Date of opening of bid	:	Dt.21.01.2026 at 11.00 A.M.

The bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only further details can be seen from the e-Procurement Portal: www.tendersodisha.gov.in. Any addendum / corrigendum/cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website.
Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer
OIPR-34132/11/0052/2526 Dhenkanal (R&B) Circle, Dhenkanal

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Build-Up Area: 15000 Sq.ft.
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Building For Sale. Plot area : 3700 sqft. Built-up Area: 15000 sqft. (G + 4 Flr),
JP NAGAR
3rd Phase Premium Plot For Sale 60 X 90 - 5400 Sqft - 5400 Sqft South Facing Plot For Sale In Prime Location.
Contact - KP REALTY
7899930039 Brokers Excuse.

MANYATHA RESIDENCY NAGWARA
PREMIUM BDA PLOT
50X80, 45x60
FOR SALE
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West Facing Plot Available for Sale. Behind MANYATA TECH PARK.
CONTACT KP REALTY
7899930039

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8970872429,9512799918, 9591810812, 9008408811

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The state government has decided to organise the annual Hampi Utsav from February 13 to 15 this year, advancing it from February 27 to March 1. District In-charge Minister BZ Zameer Ahmed Khan has directed the district administration to ensure smooth conduct of the festival. Vijayanagara Deputy Commissioner Kavita S Mannikeri has also held a series of preparatory meetings with officials from various departments

1 killed as Congress, BJP workers clash in Ballari

Cong MLA Nara Reddy's gunman opens fire, bullet hits BJP worker

KIRAN BALANNANAVAR
@ Ballari

A 32-year-old BJP worker died when a private gunman of Ballari Congress MLA Nara Bharath Reddy opened fire during a clash between the supporters of both parties in the mining city on Thursday evening.

The incident took place near the residence of former minister and Gangavathi MLA Gali Janardhan Reddy in Havambhavi area of the city. Around 25 people were injured in the clash over the installation of a banner. The deceased has been identified as **Rajashekar H**, a resident of Ballari and a BJP worker. The injured have been admitted to a hospital.

Tension mounted on Thursday evening near Janardhan Reddy's house after a verbal altercation quickly escalated into stone-pelting between the groups, drawing significant attention due to the location of the incident. The warring groups were supporters of Janardhan Reddy and Nara Reddy, respectively.

The dispute began over preparations for the unveiling of a Valmiki statue scheduled to take place in Ballari on January 3.

It is alleged that supporters of Bharath Reddy objected to the installation of a banner in front of Janardhan Reddy's house, leading to a heated argument that soon turned violent. Both groups reportedly began pelting stones at each other and MLA Bharath Reddy's private gunman opened fire, and the bullet hit Rajashekhar.

Police rushed to the spot and resorted to a lathi-charge to disperse the crowd. During the intervention, stones were also reportedly pelted at the police, further escalating the situation. The police force struggled for some time to bring the situation under control. Janardhan Reddy said, "It was a preplanned attack on me by Nara Reddy and his followers. The firing took place when I came home in a car. This was an attempt by Bharath Reddy and his father to kill me. I will register a complaint soon."

LIT UP WITH NEW HOPE

Fireworks light up the sky above Mysuru Palace as the city welcomed 2026 on Thursday. Thousands of devotees also thronged the Chamundeswari temple atop Chamundi Hills on the first day of new year | EXPRESS

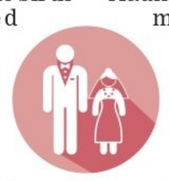
NOT TAMPER-PROOF

Can't trust Aadhaar as age proof in child marriage: Activist

RASHMI PATIL @ Bengaluru

CHILD Rights Trust Executive Director Vasudev Sharma has written to the state department of women and child development, urging it to issue a direction that Aadhaar Card cannot be considered as a proof of age in cases of marriages, especially child marriages, as permitted in the earlier standard operating procedures (SOPs).

The long-standing issue of child marriages across the state remains unsolved even today, leading to an increase in maternal mortality rate and the birth of undernourished newborns.



What triggered the Trust's move was a recent ruling of the High Court of Karnataka that aquited a 24-year-old accused in a child marriage case in Raichur, owing to discrepancies in the date of birth of the girl in a school document and on her Aadhar card.

Sharma told *TNIE*, "Such cases must be reported responsibly in the media because they set precedence for others that they too can approach the courts if they are caught in such issues. In addition to this, the SOPs in place to prevent child marriages clearly mention Karnataka government's specific guidelines on how to determine the age of boys and girls involved in child marriages. It says that the primary record to consider is the date of birth on the birth certificate. If it is not available, the date mentioned in the school records can be taken as age proof. In cases where both are available, an affidavit of the parents and age test report from the district medical officer can be considered as proof."

In many cases, the relatives of a girl get the date of birth altered on the Aadhaar card, as it cannot be changed in the school certificates, Sharma said. "Aadhaar card is not a document to be considered (as age proof), and courts or any organisations cannot sideline the directions of the government. The government and the courts must protect the child and punish those who violate child rights guaranteed under the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act 2006," he said.

Sharma said the issue is prevalent not only in Kalyan Karnataka region but also in Bengaluru rural, Kolar, Tumakuru, Chitradurga, Mandya and Mysuru. In 2025, Minister for Women and Child development Lakshmi Hebbalakar said on the floor of the House that 405 cases of child marriage were reported in 2022–23, 709 in 2023–24, 685 in 2024–25 and 564 in 2025 until October.

CM slams Centre over LPG hike

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah on Wednesday launched a sharp attack on the Union government over the Rs 111 hike in commercial LPG cylinder prices, calling it a direct assault on the livelihoods of the common man and small businesses.

In a strongly worded post on X, the CM said tea stalls, small eateries, bakeries and street vendors depend heavily on commercial LPG, and any price increase inevitably pushes up food costs and fuels inflation across households. "When LPG prices rise, livelihoods suffer and inflation quietly enters every home," he said.

Questioning the Union government's justification that the hike was due to rising Saudi Contract Prices, Siddaramaiah asked why the same logic applied to petrol and diesel, whose prices have remained unchanged despite a sustained fall in global crude oil prices, was not applied here.

The CM alleged that despite crude softening globally, fuel prices continue to burden citizens while generating record revenues for the Centre. Calling this a case of selective use of international pricing, the CM also flagged what he termed a growing fiscal imbalance between the Centre and states.

EXPRESS READ

Maruti Suzuki celebrates Victoris winning ICOTY award 2026

Bengaluru: Maruti Suzuki India celebrated its Victoris winning the Indian Car of the Year 2026 award by taking out a cavalcade in Bengaluru on December 30. It started and ended at Mandovi Motors Arena, Yelahanka, after passing through Yelahanka New Town, Manyata Tech Park, Nagawara Junction, Hebbal Flyover, RMV Extension and Thanisandra Main Road among other areas. Representatives from Maruti Suzuki and Mandovi Motors said the event marked a milestone in Maruti Suzuki's journey, reinforcing its focus on quality, customer trust and innovation, while engaging commuters, professionals and automobile enthusiasts from across the city. ENS

Phone tossing video a month old: DIG

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Belagavi

DEPUTY Inspector General (Prisons), North Zone, TP Shesh on Thursday said the viral CCTV footage that shows mobile phones being thrown into Hindalga Central Jail is nearly a month old. He also said that during recent inspections, 34 mobile phones were recovered from prisons across the North Zone, underscoring the seriousness of the issue.

Speaking to reporters in Belagavi on Thursday, Shesh said a case has already been registered in connection with the viral CCTV footage. "Belagavi Rural Police are investigating the incident. Preliminary observations suggest that the CCTV footage has been leaked from the prison. The Director General of Police has instructed officials to conduct a thorough probe and submit a detailed report," he said.

GAMBLING, BOOZING IN KALABURAGI JAIL

Kalaburagi: Director General of Police (Prisons) Alok Kumar has ordered a probe into the leaking of a video showing four prisoners playing cards, smoking and consuming liquor that went viral recently and other allegations against the prisoners as well as jail staff. Inspector General of Police (Prisons) PV Anand Reddy will conduct the probe.

Shesh said initial findings point finger at some CISF personnel deployed for prison security. Appropriate action will be taken based on the outcome of the investigation, he said.

On Shesh's directions, an inspection was conducted in Hindalga Jail a day earlier, and officials seized 12 mobile phones, one charger and four SIM cards. Shesh said similar inspections in prisons under the North Zone led to the recovery of 34 mobile phones, revealing persistent smuggling of prohibited items into jails.

The DIG said strict action is being taken to prevent the use of mobile phones and other banned items inside prisons. Regular inspections, tighter surveillance of staff and enhanced use of technology will be adopted to strengthen prison security, he said, adding that the department would not tolerate any illegal activities by inmates and staff.

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)

Canara Bank,
ARM Branch I
2nd Floor, No. 86, Spencers Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore-560001.

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **23.01.2026 (10.30 AM to 11.00 AM),** for recovery of **Rs. 3,17,87,837.79/-** as on 30.12.2025 with further interest and cost thereon due to the **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank** from **1. M/s. Wineyard,** No. 9/3, Lalbagh Road, Bengaluru. **2. Sri K Lokanath Naidu,** 40/46, 2nd Floor, Rama Mandir Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560004.

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of E-Wallet of **M/s. PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **22.01.2026, 5.00 pm.** **(Rs. in lacs)**

Lot	Description of the immovable/ movable assets	Reserve Price	EMD	Incremental value Rs.
1	All that piece and parcel of the property bearing corporation # 9/3, ward No.48, situated at Lalbagh Main Road, Next to MTR Hotel, Bengaluru-560027. Also called (Postal Address) "SRI KRISHNA TOWERS", No 9/3, Lalbagh Main Road, Sudhamnagar, Bengaluru-560027. Total Building Area is 3400 Sq.ft. **Boundaries of the property : East :** Lalbagh Main Road, **West :** Private Property belonging to M/s MTR, **North :** Private property belonging to Sri P Shankarappas, **South :** Private Property belonging to Sri Pyarejan. **Coordinates of the property** **Latitude - 12.955022 Longitude - 77.585563**	328.20	32.82	1.00

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's **website (www.canarabank.com)** or **E-Wallet of M/s. PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal and may contact **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, Ph. No. 080-25310066, 6381952519 and 9483544116** during office hours on any working day.

Date: 31.12.2025
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Offier
Canara Bank

Piramal Finance

PIRAMAL FINANCE LIMITED (PFL)
(Formerly Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Ltd.)
Registered Office Address : Registered Office Address: Unit No.601, 6th Floor Piramal Amiti Building, Piramal Agastya Corporate Park , Kamani Junction, Opp Fire Station, LBS Marg, Kurla (West), Mumbai- 400 070.
CIN: L65910MH1984PLC032639, Web Side:- www.piramalfinance.com

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 3 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The undersigned is the Authorised Officer of **Piramal Finance Limited (PFL) (Formerly Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Ltd.)** under Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act). In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the Authorised Officer has issued Demand Notices under Section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the following Borrower(s) (the "said Borrower(s)"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) issued to them that are also given below. In connection with above, notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s) to pay to **PFL**, within 60 days from the publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest as detailed in the said Demand Notice(s), from the date(s) mentioned below till the date of payment and/or realization, payable under the loan agreement read with other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to **PFL** by the said Borrower(s) respectively.

Name of the Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount with NPA date	Description of secured asset (immovable property)
(LC No. HLSA00005F04 of Bangalore Branch) Mahadevaiah Raghavendra (Borrower) Mahadevaiah M (Co Borrower 1)	19-12-2025 (₹ 4240438/- (₹ Forty Two lakh Forty Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Eight Only) NPA (04-12-2025)	**Schedule ""A"" Property :-** All that Piece and Parcel of the Immovable Property Bearing Site No.21 Bearing Old Khata No.582/0/21, BBMP New Khata No.641/1/582/0/31/33/21, coming under purview of BBMP Ward No.8, measuring East to West 70 Feet & North to South 40 Feet Situated at Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, **Bounded on: East By :** Site No.18, **West By :** Road, **North By :** Site No.22, **South By :** Site No.20 **Schedule ""B"" Property :** All that Piece and Parcel of the Immovable Property Bearing Site No.22 Bearing Old Khata No.582/0/22, BBMP New Khata No.383/582/0/22, coming under purview of BBMP Ward No.8, measuring East to West 70 Feet & North to South 40 Feet Situated at Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, **Bounded on: East By :** Site No.17, **West By :** Road, **North By :** Site No.23, **South By :** Site No.21 **Schedule ""C"" :** Description of The Apartment Hereby Conveyed To The Purchaser Flat Bearing F405, - 3BHK, in the Fourth Floor, with a Super Built up area of 1342 Square Feet in the Apartment Building Known as ""Shri Sai Shanthi Nilaya"" Car Parking along with 230 Sq.Ft of undivided share constructedin Site No.21 & 22 Measuring in Total 5600 Square Feet Vide Amalgamation Khata No.641/1/582/0/31/33/21, (Schedule ""A & B"" Properties) along with undivided share in the total land situated at Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, with all civic amenities hereto and the exclusive rightto own covered Car Parking Space in the Stilt Area, vide Flat F405 and Flat **Bounded as follows: East By :** Flat No.F402, **West By :** Private Property (Open to Sky) **North By :** Flat No.F403 **South By :** Private Property (Open to Sky)
(LC No. HLSA00005F04TU of Bangalore Branch) Mahadevaiah Raghavendra (Borrower) Mahadevaiah M (Co Borrower 1)	19-12-2025 (₹ 1760776/- (₹ Seventeen lakh Sixty Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Six Only) NPA (04-12-2025)	**Schedule ""A"" Property :-** All that Piece and Parcel of the Immovable Property Bearing Site No.21 Bearing Old Khata No.582/0/21, BBMP New Khata No.641/1/582/0/31/33/21, coming under purview of BBMP Ward No.8, measuring East to West 70 Feet & North to South 40 Feet Situated at Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, **Bounded on: East By :** Site No.18, **West By :** Road, **North By :** Site No.22, **South By :** Site No.20 **Schedule ""B"" Property :** All that Piece and Parcel of the Immovable Property Bearing Site No.22 Bearing Old Khata No.582/0/22, BBMP New Khata No.383/582/0/22, coming under purview of BBMP Ward No.8, measuring East to West 70 Feet & North to South 40 Feet Situated at Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, **Bounded on: East By :** Site No.17, **West By :** Road, **North By :** Site No.23, **South By :** Site No.21 **Schedule ""C"" :** Description of The Apartment Hereby Conveyed To The Purchaser Flat Bearing F405, - 3BHK, in the Fourth Floor, with a Super Built up area of 1342 Square Feet in the Apartment Building Known as ""Shri Sai Shanthi Nilaya"" Car Parking along with 230 Sq.Ft of undivided share constructedin Site No.21 & 22 Measuring in Total 5600 Square Feet Vide Amalgamation Khata No.641/1/582/0/31/33/21, (Schedule ""A & B"" Properties) along with undivided share in the total land situated at Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, with all civic amenities hereto and the exclusive rightto own covered Car Parking Space in the Stilt Area, vide Flat F405 and Flat **bounded as follows: East By :** Flat No.F402, **West By :** Private Property (Open to Sky), **North By :** Flat No.F403, **South By :** Private Property (Open to Sky)
(LC No. PHHLBNG07000862 of Bangalore Branch) Ashok K Pahadiya (Borrower)	19-12-2025 (₹ 2083268/- (₹ Twenty lakh Eighty Three Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Eight Only) NPA (03-11-2025)	**"Schedule 'A' :** All the piece and parcel of the converted property bearing Sy No.53/1 Measuring 3 Acre 07 Gunta, Sy No.53/2 Measuring 3 Acres 04 Gunta, Sy No.54/1 Measuring 35 Gunta, Sy No.54/2 Measuring 32 Guntas, Sy No.54/3 Measuring 32 Guntas, Sy No.54/4 Measuring 32 Guntas and Sy No.54/5 Measuring 32 guntas, in all admeasuring 10 Acres 14 Guntas, Situated at Maragondanagalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anckal Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and **bounded as : On The East :** Property in Sy No.49 and Sy No.50, **On The West :** Property in Sy No.55, **On The North :** Property in Sy No.52 and Sy No.56, **On The South :** Property in Sy No.155/9 **Schedule 'C' :** A 2BHK, Residential Apartment Bearing Flat No.A2-04-35 on the Fourth Floor, of the Tower 'A2' in the project known as ""GM Ambitious Enclave"" being built in Schedule 'A' Property and apartment having 770 Sq.Feet of Super built up area which consisting of 500 Sq.Ftof Carpet area and proportionate share in common area such as passage, lobbies, lifts, staircase and other areasof common use along with One Covered Car Parking Space in the Basement / Stilt/ Ground Level.

If the said Borrowers shall fail to make payment to **PFL** as aforesaid, **PFL** shall proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks of the said Borrowers as to the costs and consequences. The said Borrowers are prohibited under the Act from transferring the aforesaid assets, whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise without the prior written consent of **PFL**. Any person who contravenes or abets contravention of the provisions of the said Act or Rules made there under, shall be liable for imprisonment and/or penalty as provided under the Act.

Date : 02-01-2026, Place : Karnataka **Sd/- (Authorised Officer), Piramal Finance Limited**

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK
(A Scheduled Commercial Bank)

Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 &12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangala Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

E-AUCTION NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR SALE THROUGH E-AUCTION UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT (SARFAESI ACT) 2002, READ WITH PROVISO RULE 8(6) & 9 OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002.

The undersigned as authorised officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** has **taken possession** of the following property in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(4) of the SARFAESI ACT. The Borrower in particular and public at large are informed that online auction (e-auction)of the mortgage property in the below mentioned account for realisation of dues of the Bank will be held on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS "** and **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** on the date as prescribed as here under.

Sr. No.	Loan Account Number	Name of Original Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor	Date of 13-2 Notice	Date of Possession	Present Outstanding balance as on 25.12.2025	Date & Time of Inspection of the property	Reserve Price in INR	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in INR	Date and Time of E-Auction	Last Date Time & Place for submission of Bid
1	46459630001746 & 46459410001242	1) Mrs. Sudha N, 2) Mr. Narayanaswami, 3) Mrs. Nagamma	14.03.2025	26.08.2025	Rs.6,20,931.20 (Rupees Six Lakh Twenty Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty One and Twenty Paisa Only)	09.01.2026 Time: 09:30 AM to 05:00 PM	Rs.6,47,000/- (Rupees Six Lakh Forty Seven Thousand Only)	Rs.64,700/- (Rupees Sixty Four Thousand Seven Hundred Only)	17.01.2026 @ 02:00 PM	16.01.2026, Till 5.00 PM Jana Small Finance Bank Ltd., The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071
	Details of Secured Assets: All the piece and parcel of the Immovable Property bearing No.28/3, Khatha ID No.150300400900700309, situated at Ummalu Village, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Presently comes under the limits of Doddanallala Village Panchayath and **Bounded by the: East by:** Lakshmamma, **West by:** Chinnayappa, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Road. Measuring East to West: 11.5824 Mtrs and North to South: 10.9728 Mtrs, totally measuring 127.09 Sq.mtrs.									
2	32509630000550 32509410001043 32509630000165 32509410001211 & 45369800108522	1) Mr. Manjunatha Sa, 2) Mrs. Thejaswini P	24.06.2025	19.11.2025	Rs.32,08,316.70 (Rupees Thirty Two Lakh Eight Thousand Three Hundred Sixteen and Seventy Paisa Only)	20.01.2026 Time: 09:30 AM to 05:00 PM	Rs.26,25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakh Twenty Five Thousand Only)	Rs.2,62,500/- (Rupees Two Lakh Sixty Two Thousand Five Hundred Only)	03.02.2026 @ 02:00 PM	02.02.2026, Till 5.00 PM Jana Small Finance Bank Ltd., The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071
	Details of Secured Assets: All the piece and parcel of the scheduled property residential vacant Site No.26, Assessment No.87, Khatha No.87, measuring East to West 25 ft and North to South 40 Ft, Total Measuring 1000 Sq.ft, situated at Sigenahalli Village, Yeshwanthpurra Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk and **Bounded by the: On the East:** Road, **On the West:** 27th Main Road, **On the North:** Site No.19, **On the South:** Road.									
3	45359630000063	1) Mr. Papa G, Also at: M/s. RNS First Grade College, 2) Mr. Anusuya P	09.08.2025	26.11.2025	Rs.3,34,918.00 (Rupees Three Lakh Thirty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Eighteen Only)	20.01.2026 Time: 09:30 AM to 05:00 PM	Rs.5,18,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh Eighteen Thousand Only)	Rs.51,800/- (Rupees Fifty One Thousand Eight Hundred Only)	03.02.2026 @ 02:00 PM	02.02.2026, Till 5.00 PM Jana Small Finance Bank Ltd., The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071
	Details of Secured Assets: All that piece and parcel of the Southern portion of property bearing Gramatana SL. No.2303, Measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 20 Feet, Total Measuring 600 Sq.feet, (55.74 Sq.meter). Situated at Gangodanahalli Village, Old Madavara Grama Pachanyath, New Lakshmipura Grama Pachanyath, Dasanapura Hobali, Bengaluru North Taluk and **Bounded on: East by:** House belongs to Hanumakka, **West by:** Road, **North by:** House belongs to Manjunatha, **South by:** House belongs to Laksmamma.									
4	31889410000662 & 31889630000735	1) Mr. Jayamani J, 2) Mr. Yellappa Jayaram, 3) Mr. Bhuvaneshwari J	14.03.2025	28.11.2025	Rs.11,46,104.02 (Rupees Eleven Lakh Forty Six Thousand One Hundred Four and Two Paisa Only)	20.01.2026 Time: 09:30 AM to 05:00 PM	Rs.21,27,000/- (Rupees Twenty One Lakh Twenty Seven Thousand Only)	Rs.2,12,700/- (Rupees Two Lakh Twelve Thousand Seven Hundred Only)	03.02.2026 @ 02:00 PM	02.02.2026, Till 5.00 PM Jana Small Finance Bank Ltd., The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071
	Details of Secured Assets: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site No.261, Sy.No.18, situate at Kammagondanahalli Village, Yalahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore and **Bounded on: East by:** Mohan, **West by:** Murthy, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Perumal. Measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 27 feet.									

The properties are being held on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** & **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** and the E-Auction will be conducted **'On Line'.** The auction will be conducted through the Bank's approved service provider **M/s. 4 Closure** at the web portal **https://bankauctions.in** & **www.foreclosureindia.com.** For more information and For details, help, procedure and online training on e-auction, prospective bidders may contact **M/s. 4 Closure; Contact Mr. Varun B Contact Number: 8142000809. Email id: info@bankauctions.in/ Karnataka@bankauctions.in..**

For further details on terms and conditions to take part in e-auction proceedings and any for any query relating to property please contact **Jana Small Finance Bank authorized officers Mr. Ranjan Naik (Mob. No.6362951653).** To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorised Officer, there are no encumbrances on the properties. However the intending bidders should make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances, title of property put on prior to submitting their bid. No conditional bid will be accepted. This is also a notice to the above named Borrowers/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors about e-auction scheduled for the mortgaged properties. The Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of auction, failing which the property will be sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date: 02.01.2026, Place: Bangalore Rural & Bangalore **Sd/- Authorized Officer, Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

The Andhra Pradesh High Court expressed serious dissatisfaction over the state government's failure to provide even basic amenities in welfare hostels. The court directed the government to specify a clear timeline for ensuring safe drinking water for hostel inmates

SABARIMALA GOLD THEFT

Probe questions authenticity of seized gold

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ T'Puram

THE Special Investigation Team (SIT) will examine whether the gold plating on Sabarimala temple's door frames was replaced before reinstallation. The probe also raises questions about the authenticity of the seized gold.

In its report before the Kollam Vigilance Court, the SIT suggested that more gold may have been stolen from other temple artefacts. Final confirmation, however, awaits scientific analysis by the VSSC of the samples taken from the existing gold-plated sheets. The probe team, in its report, told the court that it has so far been able to recover about 584 grams of gold, which is only a part of the yellow metal that was stolen from Sabarimala.The SIT made the revelation before the Kollam Vigilance Court in its custody application of three accused persons, who have been in judicial custody.

According to the SIT, the gold was extracted from the sheets wrapping the dwarapalaka idols, door frames and pillar frames. The door frames have seven plates, which were embossed with 'dasavathara' icons, zodiac symbols, and images of Siva and 'Vyali', while the 'prabhamandala' is attached to it. The gold from these artefacts was extracted at the Chennai-based Smart Creations, owned by Pankaj Bhandari, using a chemical mixture. Prime accused Unnikrishnan Potti, Bhandari and Govardhan, owner of Ballari-based Roddam jewellery, were behind this act, the SIT stated

Bhandari took 109.243 grams of gold as a fee for the work. The probe team recovered equivalent quantity of gold from Bhandari, and 474.96 grams of gold from Govardhan which was equivalent to the quantity he had received from Smart Creations, the SIT report said. The probe team, however, said there was more gold in the sheets and that was stolen and used by the accused for personal purposes. It needs to be probed further, the SIT said.

SACRED BEGINNING

People visit Birla Mandir in Hyderabad on the first day of 2026 | PTI

EXPRESS READ

1 dies, 11 fall sick after consuming food at NY party

HYDERABAD: A 53-year-old man died, and 11 others fell ill due to suspected food poisoning after consuming food at a New Year's party here.The incident occurred at a community hall under Jagadgirigutta police station limits. A total of 17 residents attended the party, during which they themselves prepared food, including chicken and fish dishes, and consumed liquor, a senior police official said. One middle-aged man died at his residence, while 11 others complained of vomiting.

Vijayan defends remarks on Kogilu Layout demolitions

AGENCIES @ T'Puram

KERALA Chief Minister **Pinarayi Vijayan** on Thursday said he does not limit his response to state boundaries when issues such as the recent demolitions of houses in Bengaluru arise.

Speaking at a press conference, Vijayan was asked whether he raised concerns over the demolitions during his meeting with Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah at Sivagiri Math.

He said the Congress leader arrived late, and he had to leave early with permission to attend a Cabinet meeting.

Responding to remarks by Karnataka leaders asking him not to interfere in the demolition issue, Vijayan said he does not confine his responses to state boundaries when issues such as demolitions or minority rights arise.

"We respond strongly in such matters, even when similar issues arise in other countries, such as in Gaza," he said.

He said it was natural to react when helpless people are rendered homeless by bulldozers.

Last month, Vijayan, in a Facebook post, had said that the demolition of houses in Bengaluru reflected a form of minority-targeting politics previously seen in North India and warned that such practices were spreading to the South.

He expressed surprise that what he described as "bulldozer justice" was carried out under a Congress-led government in Karnataka.

Responding to Vijayan's remarks, Karnataka Deputy Chief Minister D K Shivakumar had said it was unfortunate that senior leaders like the Kerala CM commented on the matter without knowing the facts and advised him not to interfere in Karnataka's affairs in connection with the anti-encroachment drive in north Bengaluru.

Later, CPI(M) leaders from Kerala visited Bengaluru and met people who were evicted as part of the drive.

KCR spreading false info on irrigation projects: Revanth

AGENCIES @ Hyderabad

ATTACKING BRS chief K Chandrasekhar Rao over delays in irrigation projects, Chief Minister **A Revanth Reddy** on Thursday alleged that the former CM has been spreading lies about the projects to protect the existence of his party. Participating in a meeting on the Irrigation Department, Reddy said that, in order to benefit contractors, the former CM had increased the cost of the Palamuru-Rangareddy Lift Irrigation Project to Rs 80,000 crore from Rs 30,000 crore.

"In order to save his party, K Chandrasekhar Rao is spreading lies about water issues. He has been spreading false information that I am tacitly cooperating with the Andhra Pradesh government. Whatever Chandrasekhar Rao and Harish Rao say is 24-karat false," he said, slamming the opposition party. He alleged that the cost of the Kaleshwaram project had been increased to Rs 1.40 lakh crore due to redesigning and shifting it to Medigadda.

Reddy further alleged that KCR did not even prepare a Detailed Project Report for the Palamuru-Rangareddy project before launching it.

KCR had recently said that CM Reddy's regime failed to put pressure on the union government, which returned the Detailed Project Report of the writer C Naganna from Mysuru, Delhi Karnataka Sangha president CM Nagaraj and others took part in the workshop.

KERALA WATER AUTHORITY E-TENDER NOTICE
Tender No : 5/2025-26/SR1/NTR

AMRUT 1.0 - Thrissur Corporation - Procurement of equipment-Supply and Installation of Inductively Coupled Plasma- Mass Spectrometer (ICP-MS). & Gas Chromatograph Mass Spectrometer (GC-MS) for Pesticides and Heavy Metals Lab at KWA Quality Control Sub Division, Kizhakkumpattukara, Thrissur. EMD: Rs. 100000; Tender fee: Rs. 8270; Last Date for submitting Tender: 23-01-2026, 04:30:pm; Phone: 8547001231
Website : www.kwa.kerala.gov.in, www.etenders.kerala.gov.in

Director, SRI Circle, Nettoor

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(THROUGH KARNATAKA PUBLIC PROCUREMENT PORTAL ONLY)

KPTCL invites bids for the following works :

No. SEE/Tr(Op)/Circle-South/EE(O)/JE-1/F-393(6)/25-26/4439-42 Dated 30.12.2025

1) Bid Enquiry No: KPTCL/SEE/TR(Op)/Cir-South/EE(O)/AEE-2/JE-1/25-26/EPR-21 Dated: 12.12.2025 for Design, Manufacture, Testing and Supply of 66kV class HV Bushing for Power Transformers at various sub-stations pertaining to Tr(Op), Circle-South, KPTCL Bengaluru conforming to Technical Specifications. F.O.R.D at Store/Site basis, including insurance, transportation and unloading.

No. SEE/Tr(Op)/Circle-South/EE(O)/AEE-2/F-310(01)/25-26/4454-55 Dated 31.12.2025

2) Bid Enquiry No. KPTCL/SEE/TR(Op)/S-Circle/EE(O)/AEE-2/25-26/EPR-15 Dated 23.09.2025 for providing new 11kV C&R Panel and Integration of C&R at 66/11kV National College sub-station pertaining to Operation Division, HSR Layout in the jurisdiction of Transmission (Operations), South Circle, Bengaluru on Total Turnkey Percentage Tender basis.

The Bids will be received through E-Procurement mode only. The detailed notification regarding the subject tenders can be got by logging on to **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** with hyperlink 'E Procurement KPTCL' or to **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **02.01.2026.** Other details can be obtained from Office of the undersigned.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer (Ele.),
Transmission (Operation) Circle-South, KPTCL,
Office Complex, Ground Floor, A.R. Circle, Bengaluru–09.

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Website : www.federalbank.co.in, CIN: L65191KL1931PLC000368

Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s), Co-Obligant (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property Mortgaged / Charged to **The Federal Bank Ltd (Secured Creditor),** the **Physical Possession** of which has been taken by the **Authorised Officer of The Federal Bank Ltd (Secured Creditor),** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on 30-01-2026,** for recovery of **Rs. 1,76,65,059.40 (Rupees One Crore Seventy Six lakhs Sixty Five Thousand Fifty Nine and Paise Forty only)** comprising **(1) Rs. 1,08,23,287.06 (Rupees One Crore Eight Lakhs Twenty Three Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Seven and Paise Six only) as on 29-12-2025** under **Federal Housing Loan with number 14547300005265 and Rs. 68,41,772.34 (Rupees Sixty Eight Lakhs Forty One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Two and Paise Thirty Four Only) as on 29-12-2025 under Federal Property Power (HPTE) with number 14547600003408** with further interest and costs from **(1) Mr. Pattabhi Ramaiah R S/o. Subramanyam Rallapalli,** (a) Flat No 1191, G1, Swathi Gold, 9th Cross, 1st Stage, 2nd Phase, Vijayanagar, Bangalore – 560040 **(b) Pratian Technologies (India) Pvt Ltd, Pratian Innovation Campus,** # 184/185, Tapaswiji Info Park, EPIP Zone, Whitefield, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560066, (c) No 1552, Flat No G2, 'Vaibhav Daffodils', 9th Cross, Chandra Layout, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560040. **(2) Mrs.Shilpa R, W/o Pattabhi Ramaiah R,** (a) Flat No. 1191, G1, Swathi Gold, 9th Cross, 1st Stage, 2nd Phase, Vijayanagar, Bangalore – 560040, (b) No 1552, Flat No G2, 'Vaibhav Daffodils', 9th Cross, Chandra Layout, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560040.

The Reserve Price will be Rs. 1,00,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore Only) and the Earnest Money Deposit will be Rs. 10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakhs only).

(DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)

All the piece and parcel of Residential Flat bearing No. G-1, Admeasuring 1500 Sq.Ft, on the rear side of the Ground Floor together with One Covered Car Parking Slot in the Basement Floor of the Building known as "Swati Gold" with 400 Sq.Ft Undivided Share in the BDA Site bearing No.1191, PID No.39-117-1191, Situated at Chandra Layout (Gangondanahalli), 1st Stage, 2nd Phase, Chandra Layout, Corporation Ward No. 128 (Old No.39) Bangalore in All Measuring 375 Sq.Mtrs and bounded on the **East :** Site No.1202, **West :** Road, **North :** Site No.1190 and **South :** Site No.1192.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the website of The Federal Bank Ltd i.e. https://www.federalbank.co.in/web/guest/tender-notices

Date : 29-12-2025 **For The Federal Bank Ltd**
Place : Bangalore **Authorised Officer under SARFAESI Act**

Government of India
Department of Space
ISRO Propulsion Complex (IPRC)
Mahendragiri P.O., Tirunelveli District, Tamil Nadu– 627 133, India
Telephone: 04637–281803/4061/1672; Fax: 04637–281681

CORRIGENDUM **Dated : 01.01.2026**

In continuation of the e-NIT notifications published, the sale period for the work 'Vertical Extension to TPT Building for flow calibration control room for sub system facility at IPRC, Mahendragiri.(Civil, Electrical & AC works). (No.: IPRC/CMG/TD/e-146/MW/CMP-05/2025-26 dated. 09.12.2025) (Estimated cost: ₹ 31.44 Lakhs) is extended up to 12.01.2026.
For eligibility criteria and other details, interested tenderers may please refer to the detailed bilingual (Hindi-English) Notice Inviting Tenders (NIT) on the website https://www.isro.gov.in/Tenders.html and tender free view at https://www.tenderwizard.com/isro

Group Head, CMG

PHYSICAL POSSESSION NOTICE

ICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

The Authorised ICICI Bank Officer under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notices to the borrower(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice.
Having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is issued to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described below, by exercising powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property. Any dealings with the property will be subject to charges of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower(s)/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Physical Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)	Name of Branch
1.	Ramnivas Chauhan/ Mansa Devi/ TBBNG00006646266	Schedule-A All That Piece And Parcel of The Properties Bearing (1) Sy.no.5/3, Measuring 2 Acres 27 Guntas of Land (2) Sy.no.46, Measuring 2 Acres of Land (3) Sy.no.47, Measuring 2 Acres of Land (4) Sy.no.48, Measuring 2 Acres of Land, Totally Measuring 8 Acres 27 Guntas of Land Excluding Kharab, Situated At Andapura Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, Converted For Non-Agricultural Residential Purpose Through The Conversion Order Bearing No. BDS/ALN/SR(A)66/ 2001- 02, Dated 26.02.2003 And Bounded As Follows:- East By: Property Bearing Sy. Nos. 46 & 5/4, West By: Property Bearing Sy. Nos. 49 & 5/1, North By: Property Bearing Sy.nos.5/2, 5/4 & 5/5, South By: Property Bearing Sy.no.45. Schedule- B (Property Hereby Conveyed) All That Residential Apartment Bearing No.fg 168, In The Ground Floor of Block-F, In The Residential Building Known And Called As "Ittina Neela" Built In Schedule 'A' Property Having A Super Built-Up Area of 550 Sq.ft., Inclusive of Proportionate Share In Common Areas, Passages, Lobbies, Staircase And Other Areas Together With 165 Sq.ft., Undivided Share, Right, Title And Interest In The Schedule 'A' Property, Out of The Total Land of Above Said Schedule 'A' Property And In The Said Apartment The Doors Are Make of Flush Doors, Steel Windows And Tiles Flooring./ Date of Physical Possession On/ 29/12/2025.	06.03.2025 Rs. 10,98,089.40/-	Bangalore

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/guarantors(s) is/are hereby issued a 30 day Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold after 30 days from the date of publishing this Notice, as per the provisions under Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.
Date: January 02, 2026
Place: Bangalore
Sincerely Authorised Officer, For ICICI Bank Ltd.

STATE BANK OF INDIA
HOME LOAN CENTRE MALLESHWARAM (41161), No. 97, Railway Parallel Road, Kumarapark West, Bengaluru -560020. Ph : 080 25943732, 25943720, Fax: 080 25943729/3730, Email Id: racpc.bz1@sbi.co.in

DEMAND NOTICE TO BORROWER

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13 (2) OF SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002 (HEREINAFTER CALLED 'ACT ')

A notice is hereby given that the following Borrower **Mrs. Shifa Fathima W/o. Mr. Sameer** have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loan facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loan accounts have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). The notices were issued to them and guarantors under Section 13(2) of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 on their last known addresses, but they have been returned unserved and as such they are hereby informed by way of this public notice.

Name and Address of the Borrower : Mrs. Shifa Fathima W/o. Mr. Sameer, Flat No. 455, Block-4, 5th Floor, Apt No. 5, Prathamm Indraprastha Apartment, Rajajinagar Industrial Suburb, Bangalore-560022. **And also at : i)** No. 253, Deluxe Road, Lines Old Gate Janata Colony, Madanayakanahalli, Madavara, Bangalore -562123. **ii)** No. E133/1, 1st Main Road, 5th Main Road, Andrahalli Main Road, Peenya 2nd Stage, Bangaore-560091. **iii)** Flat No.1307, Plot No. 145, Al Nahda Sharjah Main City, Al Taawun, Abdul Shaiba Building 126, Near LuLu Hyper Market, Al Nada, Kyi Sharjah, Dubai. **iv)** Brand Culture General Trading LLC., Metro Link, Dubai Mall Branch, Dubai-391186. **v)** No. 500, Al Majid Building, Flat No. 203, Al Nahada Sharjah, United Arab Emirates.

Account No's. : HL-43229944893
Demand Notice: 11.12.2025 **NPA Date : 09.12.2025**

Amount outstanding : Rs. 1,57,70,701/- (Rupees One crore fifty seven lakhs seventy thousand seven hundred and one only) as on 09.12.2025 and you are also liable to pay future interest from 10.12.2025 at contractual rate on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc.

Description of the Immovable Property : Schedule "A" Property (Description of the entire property) : All that piece and parcel of immovable property being vacant land measuring East to West: 172 Feet and North to South: 434 Feet, totally measuring an extent of 74,648 Sq.Feet bearing Plot No.2, Rajajinagar Industrial Suburb bearing Municipal No.49/4 (old No.49) and assigned PID No.10-1-49/4 by the BBMP and **bounded on the : East by :** Private Property, **West by :** Private Property, **North by :** Property belonging to Mr. Gopal Reddy, **South by :** BBMP Road.

Schedule "B" Residential Apartment (Description of the Apartment hereby conveyed) : Residential Apartment bearing No.455 (B4 F5 A5 – Block 4, Floor 5, Apartment No 5) situated on Sixth Floor (as per the revised plan sanction accorded by the BBMP with the said apartment being mentioned as located on the Fifth Floor in the original plan sanction accorded by the BBMP) of Block 4 of the Project known as "PRATHAMM INDRAPRASTHA" developed on the Schedule "A" Property with Super Built Up Area 1,270.00 Sq.Feet (carpet area of 785.77 Sq.Feet and internal balconies of 147.90 Sq.Feet) with RCC roofing, vitrified tiles flooring, doors and windows as one composite immovable property along with right to own 0.35% of undivided share right title and interest in the land comprised in the Schedule "A" Property measuring 262.69 Sq.Feet., in and undivided state which forms a part of the common areas in the project to be conveyed to the "Association of Allottees" post its formation as mandated under RERA, along with One Covered Car Parking Space earmarked for the sold use and enjoyment of Purchaser(s) and the flat is held in the name of **"Mrs.Shifa Fathima W/o Mr. Sameer".**

Absolute Sale Deed is registered on 16.08.2024 in favour of "Mrs.Shifa Fathima W/o. Mr. Sameer" in the office of Senior SRO Rajajingara (Yeshawanthapura) Bangalore in Book No.1 under Document No. YPR-1-05096/2024-25 dated 16.08.2024.

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above Borrower /Guarantors/mortgagors are hereby called upon to make payment of outstanding amount within 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which further steps will be taken after expiry of 60 days from the date of this notice under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security interest Act, 2002.

The borrowers/guarantors/ mortgagors attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Date : 11.12.2025 **Sd/- Authorised Officer & Chief Manager**
Place : Bangalore **State Bank of India, Home Loan Centre, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru**

भारत सरकार / GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, अंतरिक्ष विभाग / DEPARTMENT OF SPACE
विक्रम साराभाई अंतरिक्ष केंद्र / VIKRAM SARABHAI SPACE CENTRE
निर्माण एवं अनुरक्षण ग्रुप / CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE GROUP
तिरुवनंतपुरम / THIRUVANANTHAPURAM – 22 / (फोन नं. / Ph. No. 0471 – 2564568 / 5669 / 4545)

दिनांक/Dated : 01-01-2026

ई-निविदा आमंत्रित करते हुए संक्षिप्त सूचना / BRIEF NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से निम्नलिखित कार्यों के लिए ई-टेंडरिंग द्वारा ऑनलाइन निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं। On behalf of the President of India, online item-rate tenders are invited through E-tendering for the following works.

1. एपीईपी, आलुवा की विविध सुविधाओं में परंपरागत लाइट फिटिंगों का ऊर्जा कुशल एलईडी लाइट फिटिंगों से प्रतिस्थापन / Replacement of conventional light fittings with energy efficient LED light fittings in various facilities at APEP, Aluva / **NIT No. VSSC/CMG/E01/28/2025-2026 Dated 30.12.2025, (पी.ए.सी./P.A.C: ₹ 31.61 लाख/Lakhs)**

निविदा दस्तावेज डाउनलोड करने हेतु अंतिम तिथि / Last date for downloading the tender document: 12.01.2026 (Sl. No. 1)

ई-निविदा की अवधि बढ़ाना / EXTENSION OF E-TENDER

2. आरपीपी, वीएसएससी, तुंबा में नोदक और कच्ची सामग्री प्रहस्तन क्षेत्र के मुख्य सड़कों का उन्नयन (सड़क कार्य) / Upgradation of main roads in propellant and raw materials handling area at RPP, VSSC, Thumba (Road works) / **NIT No. VSSC/CMG/C01/24/2025-26 Dt. 17.12.2025, (पी.ए.सी./P.A.C: ₹ 217.22 लाख/Lakhs)**

डाउनलोड करने की अवधि / Period for downloading: दिनांक 07.01.2026 को 23:00 बजे तक बढ़ाए गए /Extended upto 23:00 hrs. on 07.01.2026 (Sl. No. 2)

इच्छुक निविदाकार ब्यौरों के लिए www.tenderwizard.in/isro या www.isro.gov.in देखें। Interested tenderers may visit www.tenderwizard.in/isro or www.isro.gov.in for details.

Sd/- प्रधान, सीएमजी, वीएसएससी / Head, CMG, VSSC

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED
1st Floor, Jeevan Managal Building, Hayes Road, Bengaluru -560025. Ph.: 080-43003651

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Office of the M/S, LIC Housing Finance Limited the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Asset and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of security Interest(enforcement) Rule 2002 issued demand notice on below mentioned date calling upon the borrower/guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act with rule 9 of the said rules on below mentioned date.

The Borrower and the public in general are here by cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with property will be subject to the charge of M/s. LIC Housing Finance Limited for an amount notice mentioned below and interest thereon,

The Borrower attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of the said ACT, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Name of the Borrower, Loan No & Possession Taken Date	Demand Notice Date	Notce Amount	Description of the Property
MR. PASUPULETI RAMANA & MS. THOTA VISHNU PRIYA Loan A/c No. 411900015249 Symbolic Possession taken on : 30/12/2025	26/11/2024	Rs. 95,91,874.00	COMPOSITE SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of the Site bearing No.72, 73 74 and 75, presently bearing Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagar Palike amalgamated Khata No.197/72/Sy.No.84/5, in all measuring 14160 Sq.feet, carved out of converted Sy. No.80, 84/3, 84/4, 84/5, 86/1, 86/3 and 83/8, converted from agricultural to Non-agricultural residential use vide Official Memorandum bearing No.B.DIS.ALN.SR (S) 89/2000-01, dated 04.10.2000, Official Memorandum bearing No.B.DIS.ALN.SR(S)85/2000-01, dated 22.09.2000, and Official Memorandum bearing No.B.DIS. ALN.SR(S)86/2000-01 dated 23.09.2000, issued by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, situated at Kembathahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and bounded on the: East by: Road, West by: Site bearing Nos.76, 77, 78 and 79 North by: Road, South by: Private Property. SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY : 418 Sq.feet undivided interest in the immovable property mentioned in Composite Schedule 'A' Property above, (i.e., Proportionate to built-up area). SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY : Residential Apartment/Flat bearing No.206, in Second Floor, measuring 1150 Sq.feet of super built Up Area, containing Two Bedrooms, with RCC Roofing and Vitrified Flooring together with One Covered Car Parking Space including proportionate share in common areas such as Passages, amenities, Lobbies, Staircase and Lifts to be constructed on Composite Schedule 'A' Property in the Multi-storied residential building known as "R.N.SQUARE".
MR .PASUPULETI RAMANA & MS. THOTA VISHNU PRIYA Loan A/c No. 411900015250 Symbolic Possession taken on: 30/12/2025	21/12/2024	Rs. 97,89,801	COMPOSITE SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of the Site bearing No.72, 73 74 and 75, presently bearing Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagar Palike amalgamated Khata No.197/72/Sy.No.84/5, in all measuring 14160 Sq.feet, carved out of converted Sy. No.80, 84/3, 84/4, 84/5, 86/1, 86/3 and 83/8, converted from agricultural to Non-agricultural residential use vide Official Memorandum bearing No.B.DIS.ALN.SR(S) 89/2000-01, dated 04.10.2000, Official Memorandum bearing No.B.DIS.ALN.SR(S)85/2000-01, dated 22.09.2000, and Official Memorandum bearing No.B.DIS.ALN.SR(S)86/2000-01 dated 23.09.2000, issued by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, situated at Kembathahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and bounded on the: East by: Road, West by: Site bearing Nos.76, 77, 78 and 79 North by: Road, South by: Private Property. SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY 422 Sq. feet undivided interest in the immovable property mentioned in Composite Schedule 'A' Property above, (i.e., Proportionate to built-up area). SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY : Residential Apartment/Flat bearing No.005, in Ground Floor, measuring 1160 Sq. feet of super built Up Area, containing Two Bedrooms, with RCC Roofing and Vitrified Flooring together with One Covered Car Parking Space including proportionate share in common areas such as Passages, amenities, Lobbies, Staircase and Lifts to be constructed on Composite Schedule 'A' Property in the Multi-storied residential building known as "R.N.SQUARE".

Place: Bangalore
Date: 02.01.2026
Sd/- Authorized Officer
LIC Housing Finance Limited

KARNATAK UNIVERSITY, DHARWAD

DST-SOPHISTICATED ANALYTICAL INSTRUMENT FACILITY (SAIF)

Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

Pavate Nagar, Dharwad-580003. Karnataka

No.KU/DIST-SAIF/2025-26/18 Date: 01-01-2026

TENDER-NOTIFICATION
(Through e-Procurement System only)

Tenders are invited under DST-SAIF Programme, for the year **2025-26** from the reputed manufacturing companies/authorized dealers/firms for the supply, installation and commissioning of **Spectrofluorometer/Spectrofluorophotometer**. The University reserves the rights to reject any tender without giving any reason thereof. For more details download the information from the website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/**

1	Date of uploading the E-tender	29–12–2025
2	Last date of uploading the E-tender	12–01–2026 16:00:00
3	Opening of Technical Bid	13–01–2026 16:05:00
4	Opening of Financial Bid	16–01–2026 11:00:00

Sd/-
DIPR/DWD/1053/2025-26/DESHPANDEPUBLICITY **REGISTRAR**

MAHILA CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.,

A.O. #14, SOUTH END ROAD, SHESHADRIPURAM, BANGALORE-560020

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Public Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002. Statutory 30 days Sale Notice under Rule 8(6) of the Sarfaesi Act 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged / charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Mahila Co-operative Bank Ltd.,** the Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", As is what is" and "Whatever there is"** on **07.02.2026** for recovery of **Rs.69,21,247/- (Rupees Sixty Nine Lakhs Twenty One Thousand Two Hundred and Forty Seven Only) as on 30.12.2025** and future interest and other charges from **01.01.2026** due to the **Mahila Co-operative Bank Ltd.,Bengaluru,** the Secured Creditor from **Borrower(s) : Smt. Nirmala Devi R** W/o Venkatappa, No.102, Puttaiah Compound, Near Ashirwada P G, 4th Cross, Ashwathnagara, RMV 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560094, and **Guarantor(s) (1) Sri. Ramu V** S/o M Venkatappa, No.102, Puttaiah Compound, Near Ashirwada P G, 4th Cross, Ashwathnagara, RMV 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560094. **(2) Sri. Sathyaprakash V** S/o M Venkatappa, No.102, Puttaiah Compound, Near Ashirwada P G, 4th Cross, Ashwathnagara, RMV 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560094.

Description of the property: ITEM No.1: All that piece and parcel of Immovable property being land with residential building bearing present Corporation No.55/1-104/A/35 in PID No.99-126-104/A, Old No.1, Khata No.186 of Geddalahalli Village, Bengalur North Taluk, BBMP Ward No.99, Bengaluru, Measuring East to West 8'-0" fts and North to South 98'-0" fts having a total extent of 784 square feets and bounded on the: East by : Property of Munichikkaiah, West by : 6 Feet Service Road left in the same land, North by : Property of M Yannappa alias M Suresh, and South by : Land left for way to Govt Road.

ITEM No.2: All that piece and parcel of Immovable property being land with residential building bearing present Corporation No.55/1-35 in PID No.99-126-55/1, Old No.1, Khata No.186 of Geddalahalli Village, Bengalur North Taluk, BBMP Ward No.99, Bengaluru, Measuring East to West 21'-0" fts and North to South 20'-0" fts having a total extent of 420 square feets and bounded on the: East by : 6 Feet Service Road left in the same land, West by : Property of Marappa, North by : Property of M Yannappa alias M Suresh and South by : 5 Feet Road.

Reserve Price:	**Rs.1,20,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore Twenty Lakhs Only)**
Earnest Money Deposit (10% of reserve price):	**Rs.12,00,000/- (Rupees Twelve Lakh Only)**
Inspection of the Asset:	With Prior Appointment with Authorized officer, on any working day Between 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Place of Auction and Contact Details:	MAHILA CO-OPRATIVE BANK LIMITED, BENGALURU-20. Ph: 080-23562229, 23460419/ 9880453464
Last date & time for submitting EMD:	**Date: 06-02-2026 Before Time: 04.00 PM** Through NEFT/ RTGS
Date and time of Public Auction:	**07.02.2026 from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM**
Nodal Bank & Accounts details:	A/c Name : Mahila Co-operative Bank Limited., A/c No : 89390200000832, Bank Name : Bank of Baroda Branch: Malleswaram, Bangalore. IFSC Code: BARB0VJMAWA

For more Detail Terms & Conditions of Sale Please Contact: A.O. # 14, South End Road, Sheshadripuram, Bangalore-560020. Phone: 080-23562229/9880453464. Website https://www.mahilacb.com

Date: 31.12.2025 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bengaluru **Mahila Co-operative Bank Ltd.,**

BENGALURU CENTRAL CITY CORPORATION

Office of the Executive Engineer, C.V. Raman Nagara Division, 12th Main Road, 8th Cross, Indiranagara, Bengaluru-560038.

No: EE/CVR/Tender-02/Corrigendum-1/2025-26 Dated: 01-01-2026

CORRIGENDUM-01

Sub: Regarding postponement of Tender process dates
Ref:(1) Tender Notification No:EE/CVR/TEND/02/2025-26, Dated:10-11-2025

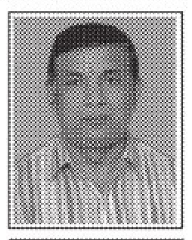
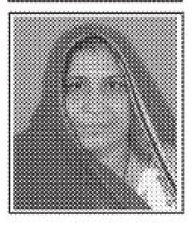
Ref:(2) The Tender was invited as per reference (1) for 46 works of C.V. Raman Nagara Division, due to technical reasons the said Tender dates are postponed. The postponed tender dates are as fallowes
2. The Tender shall be submitted on or before **12-01-2026** at **4:00 pm** through e-procurement website
3. The Tenders will be opening on **13-01-2026** at **4:30 pm**
More details may be availed from the above office during working hours and also through website **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
C.V. Raman Nagara Division

THE NEHRUNAGAR CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED

No. 172, 1st Main Road, Seshadripuram, Bangalore – 560 020.
Ph: 080-23364376 E-Mail: info@nehrubank.com

POSSESSION NOTICE-IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (Rule 9)

The under signed being the Authorized officer of The Nehrunagar Co-Operative Bank Limited, N0.172, 1st Main Road, Seshadripuram, Bangalore-560020, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002 issued a demand notice dated 02.06.2025 to the borrower **Sri.Himataram, Smt. Ansi Bai and Sri. Jagadish.** calling upon to repay the loan amount of Rs.24,52,909/- (Rupees Twenty Four Lakhs Fifty Two Thousand Nine Hundred and nine Only) as on **22.05.2025** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the notice.
The borrower having failed to repay the entire loan amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public general that the under signed has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on them under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 9 of the said rules.
The borrower in particular and the public in general here by cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of The Nehrunagar Co-Operative Bank Limited.
Borrower Name: Sri.Himataram, Smt.Ansi Bai and Sri. Jagadish.
Loan Account No.201200000546 and 201200000900
Demand Notice dated 02.06.2025 Under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002. Total Amount Due: Rs. 28,42,905/- (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakhs Forty Two Thousand Nine Hundred and Five Only) as on 31.12.2025.
Description of property: SCHEDULE – A
All that piece and parcel of the property bearing no. 29, PID No.29-17-29, Old No.42, earlier No.37 situated at Gonigara Pillanna Lane (N.P.Lane), Cottonpet, Ward No.29 Bangalore.
Measuring as: East to West: 38.4 feet and North to South: 35.6feet.Along with the adjacent property towards the eastern side measuring: East to west:9.9 and North to South:24feet.totally measuring about 1594.83 Sq.ft Bounded on: East by : Property of Mavina Marada Appanna, West by: Property of Contractor Rangadasappa and Kamakka North by : Property of Ilandamma, Maragasamma & Manikya Mudaliyar, South by : Gonigar Pillanna Lane.

SCHEDULE – B
150 square feet undivided share in the land of 'A' schedule property.

SCHEDULE – C
All that piece and parcel of the residential flat in the third floor of "KALPATHA-RU CLASSIC" privately numbered as 3-A, bearing present Municipal No.28/6, PID No.29-17-29/6, situated at Gonigara Pillanna Lane (N.P Lane), Cottonpet, Ward No.29, Bangalore, measuring super built up area of 760.73 square feet, with granite/marble flooring.

Place: Bengaluru **Authorized Officer**
Date: 31-12-2025 THE NEHRUNAGAR CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED

KARNATAKA STATE WAREHOUSING CORPORATION

"Ugrana Bhavana", No 43, Primrose Road, Bengaluru-560025.
Tel: 080-29533679 Fax:080-29533673
E-mail : mdkswc2018@gmail.com, Website: www.kswc.karnataka.gov.in

No.:KSWC/COM-2/H&T Tender/11-Centres Fert/2025-26/2004 Date: 31.12.2025

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTICE

The Corporation invites tenders through e-procurement for appointing contractors for Handling and Transportation of Fertilizers, and other notified commodities received from bulk depositors at **(1) Kalburgi U-I (2) Mysore U-1 (3) Vijayapur U-I (4) Vijayapur U-II (5) Koraluru (6) Hassan UI (7) Bellary UI (8) Bellary UII (9) Haveri (10) Savadatti (11) Tumkur UI** wareehouse centers. The interested tenderer may download tender documents, terms and conditions and other details available on the **website: https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/kppp** and submit filled tender in e-procurement portal **on or before 16.01.2026 upto 5.00 P.M.** For details the tenderers may refer website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/kppp** or contact help line 080-46010000 / 8068948777 / 8277070838.

Sd/-
DIPR/CP/JA/4771/2025-26 **Managing Director**

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ

ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು, ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ ವಿಭಾಗ ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ ಇವರ ಕಛೇರಿ.

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಲೋಇ:ಬಾವಿ:ಪಿಬಿ:ಕೆಡಬ್ಲು:2025-26/03831 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 01-01-2026

-: ಟೆಂಡರ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ:

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ ಆದ್ಯಾದೇಶ 1999-2000ರ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಆ್ಯಕ್ಟ 2000ರ ನಿಯಮದಂತೆ ಸ್ಟಾಂಡರ್ಡ ಬಿಡ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯುಮೆಂಟ ಕೆ/ಡಬ್ಲೂ-1,2,4 ನಿಯಮದನ್ವಯ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೊಂದಾಯಿತರಾದ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ KPPP ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ ವಿಭಾಗದ ಅಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿಯ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಾಣಿಸಿದ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ಹಾಗೂ ಸರ್ವೀಸ್ ಮಾದರಿಯ ಟೆಂಡರ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.
ವರ್ಕ ಇಂಡೆಂಟ್ ನಂ: ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ: 22721/CALL-2
ಈ ಎಲ್ಲ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ಟೆಂಡರಗಿಟ್ಟ ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.254.47 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳ ವರೆಗಿನ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಾಣಿಸಿದ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳಂತೆ ಟೆಂಡರ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.
ಅ) ಪ್ರೀಬಿಡ್ ಮೀಟಿಂಗ್:03-01-2026 ರಂದು ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11-30 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ
ಅ) ಟೆಂಡರ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಾಗಿ ನಿಗಧಿ ಪಡಿಸಿದ ದಿನಾಂಕ:05-01-2026 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 5-30 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ, ಬ) ಟೆಂಡರ ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 12-01-2026 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 4-00 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ, ಕ) ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 13-01-2026 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ
ಡ) ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ:14-01-2026 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ
ವರ್ಕ ಇಂಡೆಂಟ್ ನಂ: ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ: 30578, 31224, 31225, 31568, 31700, 28023, 31529, CAT - II(A): 25441, ST: 31778., SC: 31705.
ಈ ಎಲ್ಲ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ಟೆಂಡರಗಿಟ್ಟ ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.26.50 ಲಕ್ಷ ಹಾಗೂ ಕನಿಷ್ಠ ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.7.90 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳ ವರೆಗಿನ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಾಣಿಸಿದ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳಂತೆ ಟೆಂಡರ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.
ಅ) ಟೆಂಡರ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಾಗಿ ನಿಗಧಿ ಪಡಿಸಿದ ದಿನಾಂಕ:12-01-2026 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 5-30 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ, ಬ)ಟೆಂಡರ ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 20-01-2026 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 4-00 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ, ಕ) ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ:21-01-2026 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ, ಡ) ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ:22-01-2026 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ

ಸಹಿ/-ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು,
ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ ವಿಭಾಗ ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ.

DIPR/BGK/RO-NO-477/KSMCA/2025-26

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that my clients are negotiating to purchase the property bearing **House Site No. 40, H.A.S.B, Khatha No. 642, CMC Khatha No. 642, situated at Annasandrapalya, Vibhuthipura Dhakale, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Presently known as Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore.** Measuring **East to West 30" Feet and North to South 40" Feet. Totally measuring 1200 Square Feet** and bounded on **East by: Property of Sri. Venkataswamy, West by: Property No. 39, North by: 20 Feet Road, South by: Property No. 41,** which is more particularly described in the schedule written hereunder.
All persons having any claim in respect of, against or to the above land by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, charge, lien, gift, trust, maintenance, inheritance, possession, lease, license, easement or otherwise of whatsoever nature, howsoever, are hereby requested to make known the same in writing, to the undersigned together, with the documentary evidence in support thereof **WITHIN A PERIOD OF 15 DAYS** from the date of publication hereof, failing which such claim/s or objections, if any, shall be considered as waived off and/or discharged forever.

This property is getting purchased from the present owner: Details are given below for reference:	**This property is getting purchased by my client: Details are given below for reference:**
SMT. BANU **W/o Noorulla** Residing at No. 14, P & T Drivers Colony, Behind Ammar School, D.J. Halli, Bengaluru – 560 045	**SRI. SANAULLAH SHAIK** **S/o Shaik Sardar** Residing at 39, 5th Cross, Shaik House, L.B. Shastri Nagar, Near Masjid-E-Quba, Vimanapura Post, Bengaluru – 560 017

Sd/-
VAKIL & COMPANY
AT No. 14, GROUND FLOOR, 11TH CROSS, 3RD STAGE, PILLANNA GARDEN, BENGALURU 560 045.
Contact No's: +91 9972861722 / +91 9148566882.
Email: vakil.company.legal@gmail.com

THE NEHRUNAGAR CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED

No. 172, 1st Main Road, Seshadripuram, Bangalore – 560 020.
Ph: 080-23364376 E-Mail: info@nehrubank.com

POSSESSION NOTICE-IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (Rule 9)

The under signed being the Authorized officer of The Nehrunagar Co-Operative Bank Limited, N0.172, 1st Main Road, Seshadripuram, Bangalore-560020, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002 issued a demand notice dated 02.06.2025 to the borrower **Sri. Himataram, Smt. Ansi Bai and Sri.Jagadish** calling upon to repay the loan amount of Rs.10,27,899/- (Rupees Ten Lakhs Twenty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninty Nine Only) as on 22.05.2025 within 60 days from the date of receipt of the notice.
The borrower having failed to repay the entire loan amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public general that the under signed has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on them under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 9 of the said rules.
The borrower in particular and the public in general here by cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of The Nehrunagar Co-Operative Bank Limited.
Borrower Name: Sri.Himataram, Smt.AnsiBai and Sri.jagadish.
Loan Account No.201200000547 and 201200000631
Demand Notice dated 02.06.2025 Under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002. T**otal Amount Due: Rs. 15,99,215/- (Rupees Fifteen Lakhs Ninty Nine Thousand Two Hundred and Fifteen Only) as on 31.12.2025.**
Description of property: SCHEDULE – A
All that piece and parcel of the Immovable property bearing Municipal no.42/1, Old No.42, New Municipal No.42/1-1, situated at Mallikarjuna Temple Street (Telugarapet), BVK Iyengar Road Cross, B.B.M.P Ward No.109, Bengaluru. PID No.28-121-42/1-1 and New PID No.109-W0110-7-2,

SCHEDULE – B
Entire Ground Floor Shop of the schedule 'A' property together with 25% undivided right, title and interest, in the land of 'A' schedule property measuring 64.40 square Feet. Plinth Area of 200 Square Feet. measuring East to West:(11+41)/2 and North to South:22.6 Feet, Bounded on East by : Property belongs to Hanumaiah, West by : Property belongs to S.A Nagaraj. North by: Road South by : Property belongs to S.L. Ambasa and Lakshmidevi.

Place: Bengaluru **Authorized Officer**
Date: 31-12-2025 THE NEHRUNAGAR CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED

APTUS Aptus Value Housing Finance India Limited

8B, Doshi Towers, 205, Poonamalle High Road, Kilpauk, Chennai-600 010.Telephone: 044-4565 0003

Possession Notice Appendix IV (Under Rule8 (1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002)

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorized officer of **Aptus Value Housing Finance India Limited** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act,2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of the SecurityInterest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notice calling upon theborrowers to repay the amount mentioned in the notice beingwithin60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and thepublic in general that the undersigned has taken **"Symbolic Possession"** of the property describedherein below in exercise of the powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rule.

Sl. No.	Loan Account No.	Borrower/s/ Co-borrower/s & Guarantors Name	Description of the Mortgaged Properties	Demand Notice Date	Possession Outstanding Amount (Rs.)	Date and Type of Possession Taken
1.	A14918 900153 43	1.Mr. Lingappa, 2.Mrs. Rathnamma	All that piece and parcel of property bearing Site No.14, Khatha No.77, House List No.91/1A, situated at Srinivagilu Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently comes under the limits of BBMP, having B-Khatha Sl.No.77, Property No.14, Bangalore measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 43 feet, and **bounded on the: North By:** House belongs to G.Anthony, **South By:** House belongs to S.T.Kalappa, **East By:** 13 Feet Road, **West By:** Property belongs to Kaverappa	10-09-2025	**Rs.2376152/-** (Rupees Twenty Three Lakhs Seventy Six Thousand One Hundred Fifty Two Only) as on 09.12.2025	27.12.2025 Symbolic Possession
2.	AYELA H00010 50 & AYELA H00088 41	1.Mrs. Kavitha N and 2.Mr. Ganapathi G	All that piece and parcel of property bearing No.1013, Khatha No.108, presently bearing BBMP Khatha No.2821/1764/1014/1, comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP situated at Gottigere Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West 12.5 feet and North to South 35 Feet in all measuring 437.5 Sq.ft.,being bounded by:- of land and building and all other appurtenances attached to the said property. **Boundaries: North By:** Road, **South By:** Site No.1014, **East By:** Portion of same property belongs to Gajalakshmi, **West By:** Site No.1012.	23-08-2025	**Rs. 5,19,315/-** (Rupees Five Lakhs Nineteen Thousand Three Hundred Fifteen Only) & **Rs. 2,96,360/-** (Rupees Two Lakhs Ninety Six Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Only) as on 08.11.2025	

The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Aptus Value Housing Finance India Limited** The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place: SRINIVAGILU & GOTTIGERE **Aptus Value Housing Finance India Limited**

MAHILA CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.

A.O. # 14, South End Road, Sheshadripuram, Bangalore - 560020.

Notice of Sale Under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules-2002, framed under the Securitization and Reconstruction of financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002

Public-auction Sale Notice for sale of immovable Assets under The Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with the proviso of Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the borrower(s) mentioned below that the below described immovable property mortgaged/Charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the **Mahila Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is Where is"**, **"As is What is"**, and **"Whatever there is"** basis, on belong mentioned date for recovery of the dues mentioned below together with future interest and legal/other expenses due to the Bank/Secured Creditor from respective borrowers. The Reserve Price for Property, the earnest money deposit (EMD) and last date of deposit of EMD etc., are given below.

Sl No.	Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower	Amount due excluding subsequent interest as on date plus cost and expenses	Reserve Price Earnest Money deposit	Details of the A/c where EMD to be deposited	Secured Properties and Boundaries	Date of E Auction and Time	Last Date of Deposit of EMD
1	**Sri. A Venugopal S/o Late Armugam** No.16, 5th Cross, Near Santhosh Gym, Shivanandanagara, Moodalapalya, Bengaluru-560072. **Guarantor(s) 1. Smt. Kuppamma W/o Late Armugam** No.16, 5th Cross, Near Santhosh Gym, Shivanandanagara, Moodalapalya, Bengaluru-560 072. **2. Smt. A Geetha, W/o K S Mohan,** No.78/3, 4th Cross, Srirampura, Bengaluru-560021. **3. Smt. A Manjula, W/o Prabhakar P,** No.16, 5th Cross, Near Santhosh Gym, Shivanandanagara, Moodalapalya, Bengaluru-560072. **4. Sri.B S Manjunath, S/o Siddaiah B,** No.486/A, 1st Main Road, New Binny Layout, Bengaluru-560023.	**Rs.46,61,800/- (Rupees Forty Six Lakh Sixty One Thousand Eight Hundred Only) as on 30.12.2025 and future interest and other charges from 01.01.2026**	**Rs.68,40,000/- EMD Rs.6,84,000/-**	**A/c Name: Mahila Co-operative Bank Limited A/c No.: 89390200000832 Bank Name: Bank of Baroda Branch: Malleswaram Bangelore IFSC CODE: BARBOVJMAWA**	**All that piece and parcel of Immovable property being land with residential building bearing Present Corporation No.16 registered in PID No.35-164-16, Old Western portion of No.16 in Assessment No.44 of Nagarabhavi Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, presently situated at 5th Cross, Shivananda Nagara, Bengaluru City, BBMP Ward No.126 (Old Ward No.35), Benagluru, Measuring: East to West 30'-0"Fts and North to South 30'-0"Fts, having a total extent of 900 square feets and Bounded on the: East by:: Eastern portion Property No.6, West by: Road, North by: Property No.5, South by : Property No.7.**	**On 07.02.2026 from 11.00 AM to 12.00 PM**	**On 06.02.2026 Time: Before 04.00 PM**

Statutory 30 days sale notice under Rule 8(6) of the SARFAESI act, 2002: The borrower/guarantors are hereby notified to pay the dues as mentioned above along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of Public-Auction, failing which the property will be auctioned/sold for recovery of above said amounts and under Section 13(7) of the SARFAESI Act amended as on date and if repayment is made as above the property not put-up for sale.
TERMS & CONDITIONS: 1. To participate in the Auction, intending bidders have to deposit 10% of the reserve price as mentioned above as refundable EMD in the form of PO/DD/ Banker's Cheque/RTGS of a Scheduled Bank favouring as shown above, before the time and dates specified above. EMD will not carry any interest. **2.** The successful bidder should pay 25% of the bid amount (inclusive of EMD) immediately on the same day by NEFT/RTGS favouring in the above mentioned A/c No, and balance 75% of the bid amount within 15 days thereafter of sale or within such extended period as agreed upon in writing by and solely at the discretion of the concerned Authorized Officer. If the successful bidder defaults in effecting payment or fails to adhere to the terms of Sale in any manner, the amount already deposited will be forfeited and he/she shall not have any claim on such forfeited amount or to the property, which shall be sold subsequently.
For more quires contact: Krishna - Ph. No. 9880453464.

Date: 02.01.2026 Authorised Officer
Place: Bangalore Mahila Co-Operative Bank Ltd., Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

ICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

The following borrower(s) has/have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest towards the Loan facility(ies) availed from ICICI Bank. The Loan(s) has/have been classified as Non-Performing Asset(s) (NPA).
A Notice was issued to them under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, at their last known addresses. However, it has not been served and are therefore being notified by way of this Public Notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Description of Secured Asset to be enforced	Date of Notice sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Ramana Prasad P V (Deceased) Through It's Legal Heir)/ Durga Prasad Pv/ No.739 1st Stage 5th Cross Basaveshwara Nagar Metagalli Mysore-570016/ LBMYS00005693410	All The Piece And Parcel of The Property Situated At Mysore District, Mysore Has Obtained The Approval of The Residential Design Plan Dated 03-08-2016 From The Divisional Office of The Joint Director of Urban And Rural Planning, Mysore Vide No.J.N.MY/N.Yo-(2)/V.N.A/28/2016-17 For The Construction of A Layout on The Land Bearing Survey No.136/3, 136/10, 141/2, 142/1, 143/1, 143/2, 143/3 And Survey No. 144/2 Totally Measuring 12-33 Guntas For Non-Agricultural Residential Purposes In Manuganahalli Village, Hunsur Taluk, Bilikere Hobli, Mysore District, And Has Subsequently Developed And Constructed The "nisarga Paradise" Janjar No. 635, Plot No. 88, Belonging To The Current Manuganahalli Gram Panchayat. Unique No.152200200705122940 And Bounded By: East: 9.00 Meter Road, West: Survey No. 144/2, North: 9.00 Meter Road, South: Plot No. 89. The Vacant Plot In Between, Measuring East To West (15.15+16.16)/2 Meters And North To South 12.20 Meters, Totally Measuring 190.99 Square Meters.	28.11.2025 Rs. 5,26,123.00/-	04/12/ 2024
2.	S Jayashree Naidu/ S Kaushik Naidu/ No.137 Bannerghatta Road Hulimavu Muthuray Aswami Layout Bangalore - 560076/ LBBNG00005584362	Schedule 'A' Property Item No.1: All That Piece And Parcel of Property Bearing Site Nos. 19, 20, 29 &30 In Converted Sy.No. 118/2, Situated At Valagerahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Converted Vide Conversion Order No.Aln.Sr.13/80-81, Dated: 18/02/1982, Bearing Bbmp Khatha No. 295/1158/881/546/19, 20, 29, 30 Measuring East To West 65 Feet And North To South 95 Feet In All Measuring 6175 Sq.ft., Now Falling Within The Limits of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Kengeri Sub-Division, Bangalore, Which Is Bounded on: East By: Property No. 18 & 31, West By: 40 Feet Road, North By: 30 Feet Road, South By: Property No.14 & 15.item No.2: All That Piece And Parcel of Property Bearing Site Nos. 17, 18, 31 &32 In Converted Sy. No.118/2, Situated At Valagerahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Converted Vide Conversion Order No.Aln.Sr.13/80-81, Dated: 18/02/1982, Bbmp Khatha No. 1158/546/881/17, 18, 31 & 32 Measuring East To West 60 Feet And North To South 95 Feet In All Measuring 5700 Sq.ft., Situated At Valagerahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Now Falling Within The Limits of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Kengeri Sub-Division, Bangalore, Which Is Bounded On: East By: Private Property, West By: Property No's 19 And 30, North By : 30 Feet Road, South By: Property No's 15 And 16. Schedule 'B' Property An Undivided Share Land Measuring 423 Square Feet, out of Schedule 'A' Property Schedule "C" Property All That Piece And Parcel of Flat No.302, In "Supreme Signature" Situated In Second Floor, Constructed In Schedule A Property, Measuring 1210 Sq.ft., Super Built Up Area, R.C.C. Roof, With Vitrified Flooring, Cement And Brick Walls, Neem Wood Doors And Steel Windows, With All Civic Amenities, Consisting of Hall, Two Bed Rooms, Kitchen And Toilets With Balconies And Common Area, Staircase Along With one Car Parking Etc., And Bounded on: East By: Set Back, West By: Passage, North By: Set Back, South By: Passage,	18.11.2025 Rs. 47,40,286.70/-	03/10/ 2025
3.	Siddarth M/ Kalaimani Doraiswamy/ 44 3rd Cross Dr Tcm Royan Road Near Ambedkar Satue Siddarthanagar Bangalore South Bengaluru Urban Karnataka Bangalore-560053/ TBBNG00006320924/ TBBNG00007431889	As Described In The Loan Document/ Property Document Covering All That Piece And Parcel of The Residential Immovable Property Bearing No.24/1, Sy.No.24/1, Presently The Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Ward No.191 Has Assigned The Property With Katha Sl.No.2443, Situated At Koodlu Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District And Measuring East To West: 40-0 Feet, North To South: 35-0 Feet And Bounded As Follows: Bounded By: North: Property Belongs To Smt. Manjula, South: Road. East: Road, West: Property Belongs To Smt. Gowramma.	17.11.2025 Rs. 2,56,65,635.96/-	03/10/ 2025
4.	Umeshraj M/asha V/ No.56 Ground Floor, 5th Cross 12th Main, R V Block Srinagar Bangalore-560060/ LBBNG00005172732	As Described In The Loan Document / Property Document Covering All The Piece And Parcel of The Property No.4 Formed In Sy No.21/4 Pid No.53-79-4, Situated At Raghavendra Block, 12th Main Road, 7th Cross, Bangalore District Bbmp Ward No.156, Bangalore North Taluk, Measuring East To West 35 Ft North To South 37 Ft In All Measuring 1295 Sq.ft Along With 6 Sq Rcc Sheet Roofed House, And Bounded on: Bounded By: North: Site No.3, South: Site No.6 & Road. East: Private Property & Road, West: Road.	28.11.2025 Rs. 55,52,711.41/-	03/10/ 2025
5.	Vishwanath G M/ Sharada G/ No.82/1 5th Cross Behind Ganesh Clinic Lakshipuram Bangalore-560021/ LBMYS00005493691	As Described In The Loan Document/ Property Document Covering All That Piece And Parcel of Residential House Property Number 134, Lig 2 Measuring East To West 7.00 Meters And North To South 12.00 Meters, Ground Floor Measuring 350 Sq Ft, Situated In Khb, Dr. Rajkumar Road, Nazarbad Mohalla Kyathamaranahalli Kalyanagiri Nagara Mysuru And Bounded on Bounded By: North: Mig-i-of Property No.71, South: Road, East: LIG-II- Property No.135, West: Road.	19.11.2025 Rs. 6,22,315.54/-	03/10/ 2025
6.	Mohiyuddin Abdul Shaikh/ Zohra Bibi Mohiyuddin Shaikh/ Flat No.104, 1st Floor Pine Block, B Tower "The Greens" Sy.No. 33,35/3,35/4,174,224,184/ 5 And 189, Karpur Village, Bidargere Village, Bangalore- 562106/ LBMUM00002087587	Schedule-'A' (Entire Property) All That Piece And Parcel of The Property Bearing Sy Nos. 33, 35/3, 35/4, 174 of Karpur Village And Survey Number's 224, 184/5 And 189 of Bidargere Village, Kasba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Together Measuring 12 Acres 24.08 Gunta, Situated At Karpur Village And Bidaragere Village, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Residentially Converted By The Office of The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore, Vide O.M.No. Aln (A& K) Sr 118/2010-11 Dated 23.02.2011, O.M.No. Aln (A& K) Sr 44/2011-12 Dated 30.09.2011, O.M.No. Aln (A& K) Sr 47/2011-12 Dated 30.09.2011, O.M.No. Aln (A& K) Sr 48/2011-12 Dated 30.09.2011 And O.M.No. Aln (A& K) Sr 163/2012-13 Dated 27.11.2012 Respectively Comes Under The Administrative Jurisdiction of Karpur Gram Panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Panchayat Khata No. 293 And Bounded on: East By: Sy No. 190 of Bidaragere Village And Sy No. 32 of Karpur Village. West By: Road. North By: Sy No. 28 And 29 of Karpur Village. South By: Sy Nos. 183, 184, 186, 187, 188, 192 And 193 of Bidaragere Village. Schedule- 'B' (Property Hereby Agreed To Be Sold To The Purchaser) 26.16 Sq.mtr. Un-Divided Share, Right, Title And Interest of Land In The Schedule-A Property Referred To Above. Schedule 'C' (Description of The Apartment To Be Constructed) A Two Bedroom Apartment Bearing Flat No. 104 on 1" Floor, In Pine Block, In 'B' Tower, of The Residential Complex Known As "The Greens" To Be Constructed In The Schedule-A Property, Having A Super Built-up Area of 64.57 Square Meter, With Open Car Parking No. 104.	24.11.2025 Rs. 15,87,946.12/-	29/02/ 2024

These steps are being taken for substituted service of Notice. The above borrower/s and/or guarantor/s (as applicable) is/are advised to make the outstanding payment within 60 days from the date of publishing this Notice. Else, further steps will be taken as per the provisions of the Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.
Date: January 02,2026 Sincerely Authorised Officer,
Place: Bangalore For ICICI Bank Ltd.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform to the General Public that my client **SRI. S. SIDDARAJU**, Son of Late Siddaiah, has lost the original of Sale deed dated 21.06.2006 executed by Sri. D.S.V. Subbaraju in favour of Sri.D. Venkata Satyanarayana Raju which is registered as document No.6473/2006-07 of Book-I and stored in CD No.YAND203 in the office of Sub-Registrar, Yelahanka, Bengaluru in respect of property bearing Site No.5, Yelahanka CMC Khatha No.817/5, situated at Agrahara Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Old Bengaluru North Taluk about some months back in transit. In case the same is traced by anybody they should hand over the same to the undersigned and also in case anybody is having any claim, charge or interest over the said property, they shall lodge their objections with the undersigned within **FIVE DAYS** from the date of Publication of this Notice.

D.S.BHAT, Advocate,
M/s. BHAT ASSOCIATES
1st Main, 5th Cross, Yeshwanthpur,
BENGALURU - 560 022.
Mob:9916994581
BENGALURU, DATE:01.01.2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the general public that my clients **Sri. Anjanappa,** aged about 61 years, Son of Venkatappa, residing at No. 732, 21st Cross, 20th Main, 2nd Sector, HSR Layout Bangalore is the absolute owner of the Site bearing No. S-34, S-35 and S-36 totally measuring 14,647 Sq. Feet formed out of Sy No. 13 of Ambalipura Village, VarthurHobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District.

My clients have lost/misplaced the Original absolute Sale deed dated 19/10/2020 registered as document No. MDP-1-03628/2020-21 stored in CD. No. MDPD702 registered in the office of the sub registrar at Mahadevapura with respect to the aforementioned property and the same is traceable.

My client has made sincere efforts to trace the original Sale deed mentioned above but could not trace the Sale Deed. Further my client represents that the above-mentioned original sale deed has not be pledged or mortgaged nor have created any lien on the lost original Sale deed. Police complaint has already been lodged. Any person/s holding or have custody of the above said original documents shall contact the undersigned within 15 days from the date of this publication and handover the same.

KAVITHA A.B, Advocate
No. 2577, 13th Cross, 26th Main,
1st Sector, HSR Layout,
Bangalore-560103.
Mob No. 9900546686

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that I **Smt.K.S.MEENA**, W/o.Sri.S.Mohan Krishna, R/o. No. 14, 21st Main, 14th Cross, Padmanabhanagar, Bangalore-560070, willing to purchase the site bearing no.126, BBMP khatha no.2648/249/126, formed out of sy no-249, situated at Begur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring east to west-50ft and north to south-30ft totally measuring 1500sqft, now comes under the limits of BBMP, Bangalore, BBMP ward no.192, Begur, **E.P.I.D.NO.9379644340** which is morefully described in the schedule from its owners Samruddhi Builders, represented by its Partners Sri.N.Lokesh and Sri.Puttaraju.M.

If anybody is having any right, title, claim, interest or objections over the schedule property may file their objections with relevant documents within 7 days from this date of publication may file their objections and contact to the below mentioned address, and if any right, title, claim, interest or objections over the schedule property is not filed from any person/s, I will enter the sale agreement with the above said property owners Samruddhi Builders, represented by its Partners Sri.N.Lokesh and Sri.Puttaraju.M, and if objections /or claims received thereafter will not be binding on me, failing which I will proceed further to purchase the said schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the site bearing no. 126, BBMP khatha no.2648/249/126, formed out of syno-249, situated at Begur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring east to west-50ft and north to south-30ft totally measuring 1500sqft, now comes under the limits of BBMP, Bangalore, BBMP ward no.192, Begur, E.P.I.D.NO.9379644340 and bounded on: East by :Property Bearing Site No.131, West by: Road, North by : Property Bearing Site No.125, South by: Property Bearing Site No.127.

Place: Bangalore. (K.S.MEENA)
Date:31.12.2025 Mob No.9448551590

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify/inform the general public that my client **M/s. CMR JNANADHARA TRUST,** #2, 3rd 'C' Cross, 6th 'A' Main Road, 2nd Block, HRBR Layout, Bangalore 560043, intend to purchase the property specified in the schedule hereto from it's owner SRI. C.R SIDDESH, Aged about 66 Years, S/o late N. Ramakrishnappa, Residing at Chagalatti Village, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, Pan No. CWVPS3814C Aadhar No. 653195642368. The owner represent that he is the absolute owner of the schedule property and apart from him there are no other persons having any right, title, interest or claim over the schedule property. Any persons having any objections or claims shall with documentary evidence lodge their objections/claims within 7 days from the date of this Notice with the undersigned failing which, my client shall proceed with the above mentioned transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of the immovable property measuring 01 Acre in Sy No. 99/2 of Chagalatti Village, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, (previously Bangalore North (Addl) Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and bounded on the: East By : Property in Sy No.98/2 of Chagalatti, West By : Private layout, North By : Property In Sy No. 99/1 of Chagalatti, South By : Property belongs to Sy No: 100 (CMR Jnanadhara Trust),

SUBBI REDDY, Advocate
No.34, 2nd FLOOR, GANESHA KRUPA', 1st MAIN, GANDHINAGAR, BANGALORE-560 009,
Mob: 94488 83819.

PUBLIC NOTICE

For claim against Sale of Property

NOTICE is hereby given that **(1).** Mr. Krishnappa S/o Kariyappa, **(2).** Sri.Kiran S/o Krishnappa, **(3).** Sri.Arun Kumar K S/o Krishnappa, **(4).** Sri. K.Ningaiah S/o Kariyappa, **(5).** Sri. N.Raghunatha S/o Narayanappa, **(6).** Sri.Manjunatha G.N S/o Narayanappa, **(7).** Smt.Munirathnamma D/o Kariyappa, **(8).** Smt. Asha D/o Kariyappa Lingappa, **(9).** Smt. Sasikala D/o Narayanappa, **(10).** Smt. Swetha Rudrappa D/o Rudgrappa have agreed to sell the site No.738 in Survey No.9/2, Sector-3, HIG-1 with wide Registered Sale Agreement No. JGN-1-03618-2025-26, Book No.1, dated 26.12.2025 before the Sub-Registrar Basavanagudi (Jigani), Bannarghatta, Anekal Taluk, Anekal Urban District to **(1).** Sri. Prasanth K and **(2).** Sri. Ashwin E.T, the Site No.738, Survey No.9/2, Sector-3, HIG-1, measuring and extent of east to West 12 Mtrs, North to South 18 Mtrs, totally measuring and extent of 216 Sq, Mtrs or 0-2.13 Guntas, the land has been acquired by KHB Surya City 4th Phase, comprising of lands acquired by the Karnataka Housing Board in various survey numbers of Indalawadi, Bagganadoddi of Kasaba Hobli, Kadujakkanahalli, Bommasandra and Housing project was in ratio 50:50. The KHB was allotted to 50% share in developed area of the OWNERS share and the schedule property situated at INDALAWADI Village, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and bounded on:

East by : Site No.737, **West by :** Site No.739, **North by:** 40 Feet Road, **South by:** Site No.75.

Any person other than above mentioned 10 members (Vendors) having any right, title, interest, claim or demand of any nature whosoever in respect of said Site No.738 above mentioned is hereby required to make the same known in writing along with the documentary proof thereof to the under signed at No.3, 2nd floor, N.G Complex, Oppo. Aditi Padmasri Apartment, Keregudadahalli, Chikkabanavara Post, Bangalore-560090, within 14 days from the date of publication hereof, failing which the negotiations shall be completed without any reference to such claims and the claims if any, shall be deemed to have been given up or waved.

Aditya.S Kumar, Advocate,
High Court of Karnataka,
No.3, 2nd floor, N.G Complex, Oppo. Adithi Padmashree Apartment, Near Ayyappa School, Keregudadahalli, CHickbanavara Post, Bangalore-560090.
Place: Bangalore, Date: 02.01.2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, Sri. K. T. Kunhabdulla, S/o Late Sri. K. T. Mohammed Haji, is the Owner of the property described in the Schedule hereunder.

It is brought to the notice of the general public that, our client has negotiated and decided to purchase the Schedule Property from the above said Owner. All persons having any claim against or to the Schedule Property or any part thereof by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, conveyance, MOU, Agreement to Sell, G.P.A, transfer, lease deed, tenancy, license, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement, gift, exchange, possession, adverse possession or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to submit the same in writing along with documentary proof to the undersigned at its office **within 15 days from the date of publication hereof,** failing which our client shall proceed without any reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Converted land **bearing Sy. No.53/1,** measuring to an extent of 10 Guntas, situated at Sompura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, bearing **E- Khatha No. 150200100100624042,** issued by Grama Panchayath Yamare, (converted vide official memorandum dated 28/12/2016, bearing No.ALN (ASH) SR40/2016-17, issued by Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, converting land into Commercial Purpose) and bounded on the :

East By : Land bearing Sy. No.53/5;
West By : Land bearing Sy. No. 52;
North By : Land bearing Sy. No. 53/5;
South By : Road and Sy. No.54.

Dated this 01th day of January 2026 at Bangalore

M/S. LEGAL NEXUS,
ADVOCATES & CONSULTANTS,
No. 428, First Floor, 25 th Cross,
24 th Main HSR Layout, Sector 2,
Bangalore – 560102,
Phone: 080-65555914
Mobile: 9945688974; 6360160289.

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CHANGE OF NAME

I, **PARINITA .P**, aged about 18 years, D/o Sri Prasanna Kumar .T, Residing at No. 199/A, 6th Main, 6th Cross, West of Chord Road, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-560010, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **PARINITA** to **PARINITA .P** henceforth I shall be known and called as **PARINITA .P** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 31/12/2025 sworn before Advocate and Notary **H.S. DHARMA PRASAD** at Bangalore

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NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Tender No.	Material Description	Due date
252613 006722	Procurement of Burnt Lime for Production of Wet Precipitated Calcium Carbonate (WPCC)	14.01.2026

Corrigendum if any will be issued in TNPL Website and NIC Portal only. For further details, please visit websites : **www.tnpl.com / https://tntenders.gov.in/nicgep/app**

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The locker customers of the Bank with details as under have not paid the locker rent despite notices issued to them. This publication is to intimate the customers to immediately contact the Branch and pay the locker rent arrears within 90 days of this publication failing which the Bank will proceed to break open the locker and deal with the contents of the locker, without any further intimation/notice, as per the terms of the locker agreement and the customer/s will be liable for all costs and consequences thereof.

S. No.	Branch	Locker No	Customer Name	Locker rent arrears
1	BRIGADE ROAD-BANGALORE	98	C.M.MENON, .	7500
2	BRIGADE ROAD-BANGALORE	38	V.K.LALCO (P) LTD.	12000

Place: BANGLORE
Date : 02.01.2026
CSB Bank

Bangalore Electricity Supply Company Limited

(Wholly owned Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
(CIN: U04010KA2002SGC030438)

NOTIFICATION

BEFORE THE KARNATAKA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION,
No.16, C-1, MILLERS TANK BED AREA,
VASANTHANAGAR, BENGALURU – 560 052

No. BESCOM/D(F)/DGM(RA)/BC-19/F-1001 Date: 02.01.2026

IN THE MATTER OF:

An application for Annual Performance Review for 2024-25 of Bangalore Electricity Supply Company Limited under Section 61 & 62 of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with relevant provisions of KERC (Tariff) Regulations, KERC (Terms & Conditions for Determination of Tariff for Distribution and Retail Sale of Electricity) Regulations, 2006 and KERC (Multi Year Transmission, Distribution and Retail Supply Tariff) Regulations, 2024.

Bangalore Electricity Supply Company Limited (BESCOM),
K R Circle, Bengaluru 560 001 **..... PETITIONER**

N O T I C E

1. Bangalore Electricity Supply Company (BESCOM) has filed an application before the Hon'ble Commission for Annual Performance Review for the financial year 2024-25 viz-a-viz the Annual Revenue Requirement for 2024-25 approved in Tariff Order-2024 dated 28.02.2024. The Hon'ble Commission is in the process of considering the same. The summary of the application is as below:
2. ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW: Financial position of BESCOM in 2024-25 against the ARR approved by the Hon'ble Commission in the Tariff Order-2024 is indicated below;

Sl. No.	Particulars	As approved by KERC in Tariff Order 2024	BESCOM Proposal for APR based on Annual Accounts
	Energy Sales (MU)	35218.07	37122.46
A.	INCOME (Rs.in Cr):		
	Revenue from sale of power	33731.28	31905.97
B.	EXPENDITURE (Rs.in Cr):		
i.	Power Purchase cost including Tr. Charges	27189.69	27895.35
ii.	O&M Costs	3351.67	3389.93
iii.	Depreciation	1290.42	1251.48
iv.	Interest & Finance Charges	1779.75	1837.23
v.	Return on Equity		298.30
vi.	Other Debits	-4.80	65.73
vii.	Funds towards consumer contribution	1.00	
viii.	Less: Other income	230.83	139.36
ix	Savings due to loss reduction		110.05
	Total Expenditure (i to ix):	33376.90	34708.71
	APR surplus/Deficit of previous year	-206.58	
	Net Expenditure	33583.48	34708.71
C.	Net Deficit (A-B)	147.80	-2802.74

3. **The Net Revenue Deficit of Rs. 2802.74 Crores may be passed on to the consumers, as may be decided by the Commission, in terms of MYT Regulations.**
4. Application filed before Commission is **also available at all O&M Circle Offices (Offices of the Superintending Engineers, (Ele), C, O&M, Bengaluru (North), Bengaluru (South), Bengaluru (East), Bengaluru (West), Bengaluru (Rural), Tumakuru, Kolar, Davanagere and Ramanagara) and BESCOM, Corporate Office, K.R.Circle, Bengaluru-560 001.**
5. Pursuant to Section 5 of KERC (Tariff) Regulations, 2000 and read with relevant provisions of KERC (Tariff) Regulations, KERC (Terms & Conditions for Determination of Tariff for Distribution and Retail Sale of Electricity) Regulations, 2006 and KERC (Multi Year Transmission, Distribution and Retail Supply Tariff) Regulations, 2024, it is hereby notified that the persons who are interested in filing their objections to the above petition may file the same **with the Receiving Officer, O/o the Secretary, Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission, No.16, C-1, Millers Tank Bed Area, Vasanthanagar, Bengaluru-560 052,** along with the documents on which they want to rely upon, in six sets, duly supported by an affidavit within (30) Thirty days from the date of first publication of this Tariff Notification and also indicate whether they want to be heard in person. **A copy of the objection may be marked to Director (Finance), Second Floor, Belaku Bhavana, Corporate office, BESCOM, K.R.Circle, Bengaluru-560 001 for furnishing replies to the objections.**
6. **For reference of those who are interested, copies of the petition are available for inspection at all Circle Offices (Offices of the Superintending Engineers (Ele) (C, O&M), Bengaluru (North), Bengaluru (South), Bengaluru (East), Bengaluru (West), Bengaluru (Rural), Tumakuru, Kolar, Davanagere and Ramanagara).**
7. **They may also obtain copies of the required portion of the petition by paying photocopying charges.**
8. **Further, full set of the petition together with supporting material will also be made available to the interested persons by the Superintending Engineer Ele., of C, O&M Circles as in para 4, on payment of Rs. 200/- and the same is also available for sale at BESCOM Corporate Office, K.R.Circle, Bengaluru – 560001.**
9. **The soft copy of the APR petition can be viewed on the website of BESCOM (https://bescom.karnataka.gov.in/).**

For Bangalore Electricity Supply Company Limited
Sd/- Director (Finance), K.R.Circle, Bengaluru-560001

For Electricity related complaints call: 1912
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CHAMUNDESHWARI ELECTRICITY SUPPLY CORPORATION LIMITED

(A Govt. of Karnataka Undertaking)
NOTIFICATION
BEFORE THE KARNATAKA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION, No.16, C-1, MILLERS TANK BED AREA, VASANTHNAGAR, BANGALORE-560052

No. CESC/GM(Com)/DGM(RA-1)/AGM(RA-1)/2025-26 /31516 **Dated:01.01.2026**

IN THE MATTER OF:

An application for Annual Performance Review for 2024-25 of Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation Limited (CESC), under Section 61 & 62 of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with relevant provisions of KERC (Tariff) Regulations, KERC (Terms & Conditions for Determination of Tariff for Distribution and Retail Sale of Electricity) Regulations, 2006 and KERC (Multi Year Transmission, Distribution and Retail Supply Tariff) Regulations, 2024.

Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation Limited (CESC),
No 29, Vijayanagar 2nd stage, Hinkal, Mysuru 570 017. **...PETITIONER**

NOTICE

1. Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation Limited (CESC has filed an application before the Hon'ble Commission for Annual Performance Review for the financial year 2024-25 viz-a-viz the Annual Revenue Requirement for 2024-25 approved in Tariff Order-2024 dated 28.02.2024. The Hon'ble Commission is in the process of considering the same. The summary of the application is as below;
2. ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW: Financial position of CESC in 2024-25 against the ARR approved by the Hon'ble Commission in the Tariff Order-2024 is indicated below;

Sl. No	Particulars	As approved by KERC in Tariff order 2024	CESC proposal for APR based on Annual Accounts
	Energy Sales (MU)	8428.82	8447.42
A.	INCOME (Rs.in Cr):		
	Revenue from sale of power	7205.8	7442.10
B	EXPENDITURE (Rs.in Cr):		
i.	Power Purchase cost including Tr. Charges	5632.78	5875.87
ii.	O & M Costs	1128.55	1223.41
iii.	Depreciation	289.62	213.88
iv.	Interest & Finance Charges	424.08	638.85
v.	Return on Equity	-	188.12
vi.	Other Debits	-	7.29
vii	Funds towards consumer contribution	0.5	0.13
viii	Less: Other income	121.87	177.20
	Total Expenditure (i to viii)	7353.66	7970.22
	APR surplus/Deficit of previous year	180.37	-
	Net Expenditure	7173.29	7970.22
C.	Net Surplus/(Deficit) (A-B)	32.51	-528.12

3. The Net Revenue Deficit of Rs.528.12 Crores may be passed on to the consumers, as may be decided by the Commission, in terms of MYT Regulations.
4. Pursuant to Section 5 of KERC (Tariff) Regulations, 2000 and read with relevant provisions of KERC (Tariff) Regulations, KERC (Terms & Conditions for Determination of Tariff for Distribution and Retail Sale of Electricity) Regulations, 2006 and KERC (Multi Year Transmission, Distribution and Retail Supply Tariff) Regulations, 2024, it is hereby notified that the persons who are interested in filing their objections to the above petition may file the same with the Receiving Officer, O/o the Secretary, Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission, No.16, C-1, Millers Tank Bed Area, Vasanthanagar, Bangalore – 560 052, along with the documents on which they want to rely upon, in six sets, duly supported by an affidavit within thirty days from the date of first publication of this Tariff Notification and also indicate whether they want to be heard in person. A copy of the objection may be marked to the General manager (Commercial), Corporate office, CESC Mysuru No.29, Vijaynagar 2nd Stage, Hinkal, Mysuru-570017 for furnishing replies to the objections.
5. For reference of those who are interested, copies of the petition are available for inspection/sale at Zonal offices (Office of the Chief Engineer (Electy), all Circle Offices (Office of the Superintending Engineer (Ele), O&M), and General Manager (Commercial), Corporate office, CESC Mysuru No.29, Vijaynagar 2nd Stage, Hinkal, Mysuru-570017.
6. They may also obtain copies of the required portion of the petition by paying photocopying charges.
7. Further, full set of the petition together with supporting material will also be made available to the interested persons on payment of Rs. 250/- + 18% GST and the same is also available for sale at Zonal offices (Office of the Chief Engineer (Electy), all Circle Offices (Office of the Superintending Engineer (Ele), O&M), and General Manager (Commercial), Corporate office, CESC Mysuru No.29, Vijaynagar 2nd Stage, Hinkal, Mysuru-570017.
8. The soft copy of the APR petition can be viewed on the website of CESC **(https://cescmysore.karnataka.gov.in.)**

Sd/-
For Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation Limited
General Manager (Commercial),Corporate office, CESC Mysuru.

DIPR/MYSORE/12/SSC/2025-26

KSEB KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED - TENDER NOTICE

Office of the Chief Engineer (Commercial &Tariff),
Vydyuthi Bhavanam, Thiruvananthapuram

Inviting Short term tender for the procurement of power during peak hours of 18.00 Hrs to 22.00 Hrs for 01.02.2026 to 15.05.2026. DEEP portal reference no - KSEBL/Short/25-26/ET/123 dtd 30.12 .2025. Last Date for submission of queries - 03.01.2026. Submission of RfP (online digitally signed non financial technical Bid and IPOs) – 09.01.2026, 02.00 pm

For more details visit www.kseb.in

Ref : PR/MC1/F372/2026

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, WIRELESS

No.1, M. G. Road, Bengaluru-560001.
Phone: +91-80-22942324, Email: spwireless@ksp.gov.in

Tender No: KSP/2025-26/IND0455/Call-2 **Date: 31.12.2025**

Re-Tender Notification (Through e-procurment Portal)

Superintendent of Police Wireless, Bengaluru invited tender for supply of SIM cards with 4G/5G Internet connectivity for MDTS installed In Highway/Garuda/PCR Patrol Vehicles of ERSS-112 through e-procurement portal. Annual estimated bid value: **Rs. 6.76 Lakhs.** Pre-bid meeting on **07.01.20256 at 12.30 PM.** The Last date and time for tender submission **16.01.2026 at 5.00 PM.** Further details can be obtained by visiting e-procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** For more information, please contact the above office.

Sd/- Superintendent of Police, Wireless, Bengaluru.

DIPR/CP/4775/SSC/2025-26

e-mail: eephbhpt@gmail.com

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE ADDITIONAL CHIEF ENGINEER, PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION, BHAWANIPATNA

Parmanandpur, Railway Station Road, Bhawanipatna, Dist: Kalahandi, PIN -766002

NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING THROUGH e-Procurement
Identification No. ACEPH-BHPT - 66 of 2025-26 / Dt. 29.12.2025

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e-Procurement Notice

01	Name of the Work	:	1 no Work.
02	Type of Bid	:	Double Bid System
03	Approx. Estimated Cost	:	Rs. 140.22 lakhs
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Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Constructive Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer (details mentioned below), will be sold on **"As is where is"and "As is what is" basis on 22.01.2026** at the below mentioned timings for recovery of dues with further interest and cost thereon due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

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1	**(1) M/s Aria Brew & Dine Pvt Ltd,** Represented by its Directors **(a) Mr. Ravishankar K R, (b) Mr. Adit R Gowda, (c) Mr. Amit R Gowda,** No 40/1, Century Corbel Commercial, 3rd Floor, Sahakarnagar Main Road, Sahakar Nagar , Bengaluru-560091 **(2) Mr. Ravishankar K R,** S/o Mr. Rudregowda K C, No.824, 24th Main, Sarakki Extension, J P Nagar 6th Phase, Bengaluru-560078 **(3) Mr. Adit R Gowda ,** S/o Mr Ravishankar K R , No.824, 24th Main, Sarakki Extension, J P Nagar , 6th Phase, Bengaluru-560078 **(4) Mr. Amit R Gowda,** S/o Ravishankar K R, No.824, 24th Main, Sarakki Extension, J P Nagar, 6th Phase, Bengaluru-560078 **(5) Mrs. Anitha Ravishankar,** W/o Mr. Ravishankar K R No.824, 24th Main, Sarakki Extension, J P Nagar, 6th Phase, Bengaluru-560078 **(6) M/s Sreenivasa Enterprises Represented by its Partners : (a) Mr. Ravishankar K R, (b) Mrs Anitha Ravishankar,** No.824, 24th Main, Sarakki Extension, J P Nagar , 6th Phase, Bengaluru-560078. **Loan A/c Nos.:** **(1) PSOD A/c 0627000600108201** **(2) TL A/c 0627001650556701** **(3) TL A/c 0627001650560701** **(4) TL A/c 0627001650566601** **(5) PSTL A/c 0627001800041001**	**Total Rs.24,02,82,296.32 [Rupees Twenty Four Crore Two Lakh Eighty Two Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Six and Paise Thirty Two Only)** **[(1) Rs.8,54,06,264.18 01.01.2026 + (2) Rs. 1,65,80,900.84 11.12.2025 + (3) Rs.6,84,02,065.46 11.12.2025 + (4) Rs.66,03,767.44 11.12.2025 + (5) Rs. 6,32,89,298.40 11.12.2025]**	**09.04.2025** **Constructive**	All that part and parcel of vacant converted Land measuring **1 Acre 4 Guntas** (as per document) and **35,340 Sq ft** (as per actual) bearing **Sy No 15/3, BBMP Khata No.460/15/3 and PID No. 194-W0691-1/1,** Pillaganahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli,Bengaluru, belonging to **Mrs. Anitha Ravishankar. Boundaries of property as per Document : East by :** Property belongs to Mr.Thirumalappa, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Land in the same Sy No. belonging to Mr. Ravishankar K R, **South by :**Remaining land in the same Sy No. belonging to Sri. Loknath and Sharadamma. **Location: 12.856891'N 77.580133'E**	**Rs. 25,00,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Crore Only)**	**Rs. 2,50,00,000/- (Rupees Two Crore Fifty Lakh Only)**	**10.15 AM to 10.30 AM**	**Rs. 10,00,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch : Bengaluru – Minerva Circle A/c No: 0623500200004101 IFSC:KARB0000062**

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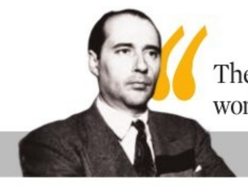

The cinema substitutes for our gaze a world more in harmony with our desires — André Bazin

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— Ramnath Goenka

GIG WORKERS' PROTEST FIZZLES, DEMANDS STAY UNATTENDED

THE December 31 nationwide strike proposed by gig workers created a minor blip on India's quick-commerce graph. Deliveries were partially disrupted in Hyderabad, Bengaluru, Surat and a few other cities, partly due to support from netizens who boycotted apps, but picked up pace after Zomato and Swiggy rolled out incentives for the New Year's eve. Some doorstep-delivery majors also strong-armed the protesting workers by blocking accounts on their platforms. The carrots and sticks ensured there was no major disruption, but the long-term demands of platform workers remained unaddressed.

While online shopping has become a necessity for almost every urban household, those who ensure delivery have been rendered casual workers without regular incomes, employee welfare or social security. Emboldened by a Christmas-day protest highlighting some of the issues, the Indian Federation of App-Based Transport Workers and the Telangana Gig and Platform Workers' Union issued the strike call against low and unpredictable pay, incentive cuts, arbitrary blocking of worker IDs and the risks of 10-minute delivery targets. They pointed to the paradox of shrinking earnings despite surging delivery volumes.

After Rajasthan in 2023, Karnataka, Bihar and Jharkhand have passed laws to protect gig workers; the Telangana cabinet has cleared a Bill to the effect. But elsewhere, the issues of this unorganised workforce have been largely ignored. The imposition of fees for delivery, demand surge, inclement weather and handling goes unchecked. While consumers are burdened, little is passed on to the crucial link between the seller and the buyer. Gig workers' biggest grouse is the 10-minute delivery, which forces them to risk life and violate rules, as late deliveries attract penalties. Resultant accidents have led to debilitating injuries and deaths, but platforms continue to avoid providing health insurance or disability cover.

It is time governments cracked the whip on behalf of gig workers, a fast-growing workforce that the Niti Aayog expects to number about 2.4 crore by 2029-30. The Centre has reformed labour laws to cover the gig economy, but compliance is awaiting the final rules. Across the world, gig workers have been protesting and fighting legal battles for regular income and social security. Before another protest threatens the fragile links that make living possible in the increasingly chaotic and crowded Indian cities, governments must act proactively to protect them.

T'GANA ANTI-CORRUPTION SWEEP ALL BARK, LESS BITE

WHEN a new year nears, government departments share progress reports showcasing their achievements. Telangana's Anti-Corruption Bureau recently did the same. The ACB stated that it booked 199 cases across various departments and arrested 273 officials through 2025, compared to 223 embroiled in 154 cases in 2024. The increase of more than a fifth in indictments sounds impressive, but in truth the numbers hide a frightening reality.

According to civil society groups and experts, these numbers account for barely a twentieth of the corrupt in the massive apparatus that is the government. Over the past decade, about 1,400 cases have been registered, but in the absence of proper data, experts estimate that only 150-200 have led to conviction. By the admission of officers themselves, most cases fall flat due to denial of permission by the departments concerned. Delays in granting sanction for prosecution are also well known. According to the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, the clearance should come within 120 days and an official's suspension should be reviewed within 90 days. The Supreme Court has ruled that if the review does not take place within the stipulated period, the official must be reinstated. We agree that the court and the law upheld principles of natural justice in deciding so. But several Telangana officials caught red-handed have used the rule to get reinstated; some of them were even apprehended again. In 2025, a number of cases raised eyebrows for the huge properties the allegedly corrupt had amassed—a dubious list that includes a deputy collector, a municipal commissioner and an executive engineer.

As the country aspires to be developed by 2047, we must ask ourselves for how long can we bear the massive burden of corruption. Studies have shown that the sight of corrupt peers going scot-free propel more greed. What could be done to stem this deep rot? For a start, governments need to re-examine anti-corruption laws and rules to increase deterrence. Cases, which now take years, must be expedited. Those in charge of government departments must make swift prosecution a non-negotiable pledge. We must make ending the menace of government corruption one of the central pillars of the New India we are dreaming of.

QUICK TAKE

FOR FUTURE BUFFETTS

THE final day of 2025 saw a curious coincidence of numbers in the investment world. As Warren Buffett stepped down as CEO of Berkshire Hathaway after 60 years at the helm, shares of his investment firm slid $600 or 0.1 percent. In these decades, the Sage of Omaha's steady hand delivered an unprecedented 60,00,000-plus percent return to investors—more than 130 times the S&P500's. His focus on long-term investing and not avoiding industries out of fashion with other investors are lessons his legions of fans have taken to heart. Buffett often stated he was a product of the Great Depression. Let's hope today's generation will learn from the polycrises engulfing our fractious world to deliver something as durable and rewarding.

The framers placed Article 32(3) in the Constitution to ensure justice can come closer to the citizen. Yet, means and location continue to affect citizens' access to the judiciary

NEED TO TURN A FORGOTTEN KEY FOR JUDICIAL ACCESS

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SOURAV ROY

THE right to constitutional remedies, which is the heart and soul of the Constitution, contains a silent provision waiting to be activated to meet the demands of changing times. Article 32(3), a deliberate construct of the Constituent Assembly, empowers Parliament to confer the Supreme Court's writ jurisdiction upon other courts.

The historical record is unequivocal: this was not a mere procedural footnote, but a conscious design to plant the seeds of constitutional remedy across the judicial landscape, ensuring that the enforcement of fundamental rights would not be the exclusive preserve of distant top courts. Today, the continued relegation of writ jurisdiction solely to the Supreme Court and the 25 high courts has precipitated a systemic crisis.

It has created a debilitating bottleneck in justice delivery and stands in stark contradiction to the decentralised vision articulated by the framers of the Constitution. The activation of Article 32(3) through parliamentary legislation to empower subordinate constitutional courts with limited writ authority is, therefore, no longer a matter of legal discretion, but an imperative of constitutional fidelity and judicial pragmatism.

The Constituent Assembly debates reveal a clear intent to expand, not constrict, the avenues for obtaining writ remedies. The initial draft of what became Article 32 contained the pivotal phrase, "Without prejudice to the powers that may be vested in this behalf in other courts." It sparked an insightful debate on May 2, 1947. K Santhanam perceptively questioned which authority would hold the power to vest such jurisdiction, warning against a scenario where rights could be stifled by making the Supreme Court the only original forum, a place prohibitively distant for the ordinary citizen, or by relegating remedies to a dilatory appellate process from the lowest magistracy.

While Sardar Patel reassured that the full judicial setup would be holistically considered, an underlying principle was established: the architecture for rights enforcement required multiple access points. This principle found even more potent expression in a subsequent debate on July 21, when Alladi Krishnaswami Ayyar moved an amendment to equip all high courts with writ powers against the draft clause that sought to apply the provisions of the Government of India Act, 1935 *mutatis mutandis* to provincial judiciary.

He highlighted the absurd disparity where, under the 1935 Act, only the Presidency towns enjoyed the benefit of prerogative writs or their statutory substitutes, leaving citizens in mofussil areas to "the dilatory remedy of an ordinary suit". His amendment, supported by members like B Pocker and K M Munshi, and accepted by Sardar Patel, was driven by the objective of ensuring "every high court in India should have the same power" as the King's Bench in England, thereby providing an "effective-remedy for the fundamental rights" across the entire nation.

The trajectory of the debate was unidirectional: from a limited, colonial-era privilege to a universal, constitutional guarantee. Article 32(3) became the logical extension of this philosophy, providing the parliamentary gateway to further diffuse this power down the judicial hierarchy if necessity demanded. That necessity now manifests with acute severity in the contemporary reality of an overburdened, geographically concentrated and linguistically alienating writ jurisdiction.

The concentration of the immense docket of pending civil and criminal writ petitions in only around two dozen forums creates insurmountable logistical pressure, leading to prolonged delays that defeat the essential purpose of a writ, which is a swift remedy.

This centralisation imposes a crushing fiscal and geographical chasm between the citizen and justice. For an ordinary middle-class individual in India or a village in the hilly states, securing redress for unlawful detention or official apathy requires journeying to the distant state capital, retaining often prohibitively expensive counsel, and navigating a process conducted overwhelmingly in English.

This linguistic barrier is particularly pernicious. When the grievance originates and exists entirely in a vernacular context, the requirement to translate it into English creates a profound disconnect. It inverts the maxim *ubi jus ibi remedium* (where there is a right, there is a remedy) into a cruel paradox: the right exists everywhere, but the remedy is locked behind gates of distance, cost and language, accessible only to a privileged few. It creates a two-tiered system of justice: one for the affluent and connected who can access the high courts, and another for the vast majority for whom the constitutional remedy is a theoretical construct. This was precisely the inconvenient scenario the founding fathers feared.

Empowering subordinate courts with jurisdiction over defined categories of writs presents a practical solution. The model is not without precedent in constitutional democracies where district courts are empowered to ensure that rights are enforceable close to where they are violated. A vast number of writs—particularly those seeking *mandamus* to compel local officials to perform statutory duties or habeas corpus challenging detention by local police—are inherently local in nature. Allowing these to be filed in the subordinate courts would bring justice to the citizen's doorstep, reduce travel costs, enable pleadings in the local language, and leverage the district judge's understanding of the ground realities. This would allow the high courts to evolve into true constitutional courts, focusing on complex questions of law, inter-state issues, and appeals from subordinate courts.

The law under Article 32(3) may need to clearly delineate the scope—for instance, on conferring jurisdiction on district courts for habeas corpus against police detention within the district and *mandamus* against district-level authorities, while reserving challenges to state or national authorities, *certiorari* and *quo warranto* for the higher judiciary. It can mandate specialised training for designated writ judges and create a streamlined appeal mechanism. This would be a rational distribution creating a tiered, accessible and efficient system for rights enforcement.

Parliament's failure to act upon Article 32(3) for over seven decades constitutes a remarkable neglect of a clear constitutional mandate. The framers, in their wisdom, could not have foreseen the population explosion, expansion of the State, or the litigation boom, but they did foresee the need for flexibility. They provided the key. It is now for Parliament to turn it.

(Views are personal)

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UNSPARING MIRRORS OF QUOTIDIAN LIVES

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CINEMA is a medium made for spectacular, extraordinary and even grotesque narratives. In contrast, what is striking about *Perfect Family*, a web series produced by Pankaj Tripathi, and Anusha Rizvi's film *The Great Shamsuddin Family* is that they turn their gaze towards a realm often neglected in cinema—the uncelebrated ordinariness of everyday lives, marked by pain, endurance and muted anguish.

In foregrounding this ordinariness, the two works compel us to train our attention to images we tend to glaze over. In depicting conflict and suffering without theatrical escalation, these works unsettle us with issues we are deeply familiar with. These narratives mirror a social reality we do not always acknowledge, making us realise beautifully how the ordinary, when honestly rendered, can be profoundly disturbing.

Perfect Family exemplifies this aesthetic choice. Whatever Tripathi's characters lack in overt theatrical intensity, he allows them to compensate for by showing the rhythms of a life shaped by small accommodations, unspoken contestations and daily negotiations. Witnessing the emotional economy of a family that appears functional, even content, one realises that the missed conversations, deferred desires, fragile compromises have quietly fractured it. The revelations in the series were not dramatic, yet the 'perfection' of the family is exposed as a social performance sustained through denial. We often mistake endurance for genuine harmony.

Anusha Rizvi's *The Great Shamsuddin Family* operates through a similar trope, though its political implications are more explicit. The members of the Shamsuddin family are neither heroic victims nor symbolic constructs designed to elicit easy empathy. They are ordinary, but in the most unsettling sense. I found it unsettling because they endure, adapt and persist without the promise of transformation. Their lives unfold within systems that constrain choice while demanding compliance. Surviving is shown to require a form of labour even when no path towards liberation might be available.

What binds these two works is their refusal to aestheticise suffering or romanticise resilience. Their narratives dwell in a moral grey zone where dignity is negotiated daily. Even ethical clarity is compromised by necessity. The viewer is denied the comfort of catharsis and, as a result, these works compel a more honest engagement with social reality experienced intimately. We are not allowed to leave reassured by redemption or uplifted by spectacle; we are burdened by recognition.

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Perfect Family and *The Great Shamsuddin Family* remind us that in an age saturated with noise, the most radical act may be to look closely at what lies around us. As the dramas refuse to provide redemption or spectacle, the viewer is forced to recognise harsh social realities

The images these works present are uncomfortably close to home. They mirror lives that resemble our own or those we witness daily without realising. Cramped living rooms, hesitant conversations, humiliation endured are shown as structural features of our society organised around inequality and silence. As the audience, we are called to confront our own complicity in normalising this unequal and unjust order.

Both works challenge what may be called the politics of visibility in contemporary cinema. Visibility is often mistaken for representation, but representation itself can become another form of erasure when it relies on spectacle or oversimplified exposure. Rizvi and Tripathi seem to be rooting for sustained attention and to be able to resist the impulse to categorise characters neatly as victims or villains. This resistance makes these works significant because they come at a time when films rarely provide an ethical compass in our society, which is paradoxically reeling from deepening polarisation while being dangerously fatigued by it.

The slow pacing of both narratives mirror the lived temporality of waiting—for work, recognition, relief, or change that may perhaps never arrive. This is perhaps what allowed for giving importance to lives that are otherwise dismissed as uneventful, unproductive or inconsequential.

These works can be read through the lens of everyday life theory, according to which the quotidian is a site where power is both reproduced and subtly contested. The ordinary, far from being apolitical, is where social norms are internalised, negotiated and sometimes resisted. In *The Great Shamsuddin Family*, moments of domestic routine reveal the pressures of communal identity, surveillance and economic precarity. In Perfect Family, rituals of middle-class respectability expose the emotional costs of conformity and repression. These ethically-charged negotiations are, of course, a more accurate depiction of lived realities than moments of dramatic rupture that stories tend to be about.

Ultimately, *Perfect Family* and *The Great Shamsuddin Family* remind us that in an age saturated with noise and spectacle, the most radical act may be to look steadily at what lies before us with full attention. They insist that dignity does not always announce itself, and that injustice often resides not in dramatic cruelty but in routine indifference. In doing so, they reclaim cinema's ethical vocation, which is not merely to entertain or provoke, but to bear witness and to lead to contemplation.

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Digital nightmare

Ref: *India must address menace of financial frauds* (Jan 1). The situation reveals a systemic gap between India's focus on technological advancements and measures for digital safety and literacy. It shakes citizens' trust in banks and government officials and casts serious doubts.
Mythily Vadrevu, Bengaluru

Citizens' dignity

Ref: *Probe Kogilu eviction* (Jan 1). The evictions in north Bengaluru have spiralled into a spectacle. Lawful land reclamation cannot ignore dignity. Equally, citizenship claims need scrutiny. A fair probe, accountability of officials and humane rehabilitation can separate rights violations from political noise to restore trust.
K Chidanand Kumar, Bengaluru

Bulldozer bullying

The Kogilu evictions highlight a troubling clash between enforcing land laws and upholding basic human dignity. Acting at dawn without planning for alternative shelter raises valid rights concerns even if encroachment is proven. A transparent probe and humane rehabilitation must be ensured.
Abbharna Barathi, Chennai

Pragmatic diplomacy

Ref: *Trump's deal methods* (Jan 1). The fading of 'strategic altruism' is not a moral betrayal but a hard reality of global politics, where no power supports another unconditionally. Hence, India deepens defence cooperation with the US without dependence, while keeping dialogue open with others. This balanced, independent posture is best suited for a multipolar world.
Mohammad Asad, Mumbai

Neighbourly détente

Ref: *Jaishankar's condolence diplomacy* (Jan 1). 'Trust, but verify' is a key dictum in international diplomacy and that is what was projected by the visit. Jaishankar conveying the prime minister's personal letter is a wise move indicating India and Bangladesh can't afford a frosty relationship.
A Raveendranath, Pathanamthitta

Engineering negligence

Ref: *Multiple deaths from contaminated water in Indore* (Jan 1). The contamination represents a grave violation of fundamental civil engineering norms. Sewer pipelines are always designed and laid below water supply lines, ensuring that in case of leakage, gravity prevents any entry into water pipelines. It reflects gross negligence.
R S Narula, Patiala

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Narendra Modi @narendramodi
Wishing everyone a wonderful 2026! May the year ahead bring good health and prosperity, with success in your efforts and fulfilment in all that you do.

Rajnath Singh @rajnathsingh
Went to High Commission of Bangladesh in New Delhi. Signed the Condolence Book expressing our profound sorrow at the passing of ex-PM Begum Khaleda Zia.

Mamata Banerjee @MamataOfficial
I extend best wishes to all students, parents, and teachers of the state on the occasion of 'Students' Day' and the beginning of 'Students' Week' today.

DIVIDED HOUSES, POLITICS LIKELY TO CONTINUE IN 2026

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

AS Parliament heads into 2026, expectations of a calmer, more deliberative legislative year remain muted. The experience of 2025, marked by frequent disruptions, sharp political polarisation and limited consensus between the ruling dispensation and the Opposition, offers few signals of an immediate course correction. If recent trends persist, parliamentary functioning in 2026 is likely to remain caught between essential debate and entrenched acrimony.

STARTING Point 2026

Throughout 2025, both Houses witnessed repeated adjournments as confrontations between the treasury benches and the Opposition, led mostly by the principal opposition Congress dominated proceedings. rom the Budget session to the Monsoon and Winter sessions, disruptions consistently outweighed substantive legislative discussion. While the government succeeded in pushing through key legislations by virtue of its numerical strength and coordination with NDA allies, the Opposition relied on protests, walkouts and procedural resistance to flag its dissent.

Several contentious issues drove the confrontations. The SIR (Special Intensive Revisions), first rolled out in Bihar and later extended to West Bengal and other states, triggered sustained protests. The Waqf Bill, amendments to welfare-related schemes such as MGNREGA, now rebranded as VB-G-RAM-G, and debates on internal security and the prolonged crisis in Manipur consumed significant parliamentary time. Even when Bills were passed, they often did so amid disorder, leaving little room for detailed scrutiny.

Against this backdrop, the Budget Session of 2026, scheduled to begin on February 1 with the presentation of the Union Budget for 2026-27, assumes particular importance. Traditionally the longest and most consequential session, it offers greater scope for debate. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman's Budget will inevitably attract sharp criticism from the Opposition, especially on inflation, unemployment and 'fund blockages' to Opposition-ruled states.

Expectations of a conciliatory opening are low. Analysts say that the Budget's political implications, especially for states complaining of delays or cuts in central allocations, could shape the tenor of the entire session. Political analyst Dr RK Verma believes Parliament in 2026 is unlikely to see a dramatic improvement in decorum. "There is a fundamental lack of coordination and trust between the

government and the Opposition on parliamentary functioning," he says. In his opinion, upcoming state elections will only intensify confrontational strategies, with national issues increasingly filtered through regional political calculations.

The government's legislative agenda also suggests that disruptions may persist. Senior officials indicate that multiple Bills are lined up for introduction in 2026, building on the aggressive legislative push seen in 2025.

The Winter Session of 2025 offered a glimpse of what may lie ahead. Though the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha logged over 92 hours each, the passage of Bills such as the VB-G-RAM-G Bill and the SHANTI (Sustainable Harnessing and Advancements of Nuclear Energy for Transforming India) Bill occurred amid protests and walkouts. The Monsoon Session, by contrast, was particularly unproductive, with business hours dipping sharply due to continuous disruptions.

Statistically, the Budget Session remains Parliament's best-performing period. In 2025, the Lok Sabha functioned for over 160 hours and the Rajya Sabha for nearly the same duration, despite persistent noise and demonstrations. A similar pattern is expected in 2026..

Beyond routine political sparring, 2026 could see Parliament grappling with structurally significant and potentially explosive issues. Chief among them is the proposed delimitation exercise, which carries profound implications for federal balance and political representation. Combined with debates on welfare delivery, fiscal federalism and national security, this issue is likely to deepen divisions rather than bridge them. The Modi government, which maintains that its policies are positioning India as the world's third-largest economy, is expected to frame the 2026–27 Budget strategically to blunt Opposition attacks.

Yet, as another political analyst, Dr Archana says, "The volume of pending legislation itself could become a source of friction. The more the government pushes for passage, the more resistance it is likely to face."

By all means, Parliament in 2026 appears set to continue walking a tightrope between governance imperatives and political confrontation. While debates will occur, particularly during the Budget Session, acrimony is likely to remain the defining feature. A key challenge for India's democracy will be whether legislative productivity can coexist with sustained political rivalry, or whether disruption will once again overshadow deliberation. 2026 is no exception.

India, Pak share nuclear site details

Also exchange prisoners' list in continuation of decades-old practice for building confidence

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

INDIA and Pakistan on Thursday exchanged lists of nuclear installations and facilities that cannot be targeted in the event of hostilities, along with details of prisoners held in each other's custody, maintaining a decades-old confidence-building mechanism despite severely strained bilateral relations.

The exchange of nuclear no-attack lists was carried out simultaneously through diplomatic channels in New Delhi and Islamabad, the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) said. The annual exercise is mandated under the Agreement on the Prohibition of Attack against Nuclear Installations and Facilities, signed in December 1988 and in force since January 1991. Under the pact, both sides share details of nuclear facilities covered by the agreement on January 1 every year.

This marked the 35th consecutive exchange since the agreement came into effect, even as India-Pakistan ties remain at an all-time low following a brief but intense military confrontation in May last year. In a parallel exercise, India and Pakistan also exchanged lists of civilian prisoners and fishermen held in each other's custody under the 2008 Agreement on Consular Access.

India shared details of 391 civilian prisoners and 33 fishermen in its custody who are Pakistani or believed to be Pakistani. Pakistan, in turn, provided information on 58 civilian prisoners and 199 fishermen who are Indian or believed to be Indian.

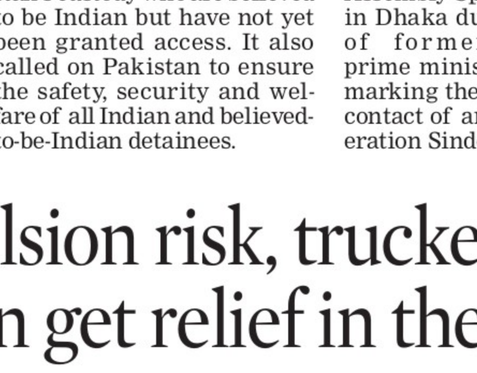
India called for the early release and repatriation of all civilian prisoners and fishermen, along with their boats, and reiterated its demand for information on missing Indian defence personnel believed to be in Pakistan's custody. New Delhi also urged Islamabad to expedite the release of 167 Indian fishermen and civilian prisoners who have completed their sentences.

The MEA said that India has sought immediate consular access to 35 civilian prisoners and fishermen in Pakistan's custody who are believed to be Indian but have not yet been granted access. It also called on Pakistan to ensure the safety, security and welfare of all Indian and believed-to-be-Indian detainees.

The MEA said that sustained diplomatic efforts have led to the repatriation of 2,661 fishermen and 71 civilian prisoners from Pakistan since 2014, including 500 fishermen and 13 civilian prisoners since 2023. India and Pakistan have not held sustained bilateral talks since India suspended the composite dialogue after the 2008 Mumbai terror attacks. Recent attempts at limited engagement have been repeatedly disrupted by terror acts by Pakistan-based groups.

The exchange came a day after External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar briefly interacted and exchanged pleasantries with Pakistan's National Assembly Speaker Ayaz Sadiq in Dhaka during the funeral of former Bangladesh prime minister Khaleda Zia, marking the first senior-level contact of any kind since Operation Sindoor.

35TH CONSECUTIVE ANNUAL EXCHANGE UNDER 1988 NUCLEAR PACT



Exchange comes amid frozen bilateral talks since 2008

TERMS OF CAUTION

167 Indians in Pakistan have completed sentences

India holds **391** Pakistani civilians, **33** fishermen

Pakistan holds **58** Indian civilians, **199** fishermen

India seeks early release & repatriation of all detainees

Consular access sought for **35** Indian detainees

Drone, drugs and explosives found near LoC

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

THE security forces detected suspicious drone activity near the Line of Control (LoC) in Poonch district on Thursday, leading to recovery of an improvised explosive device (IED), ammunition and narcotics, officials said.

A joint search operation was launched after the drone movement was spotted in the Chakkan da Bagh belt of Khari village, between Rangar Nallah and the Poonch River. Teams of the J&K Police's Special Operations Group (SOG) and the Army recovered a packet containing a 2-kg IED, ammunition and drugs, officials said.

Army Bomb Disposal Squad (BDS) experts were rushed to the spot and successfully defused and neutralised the IED, averting a major incident. Sources said it is suspected that the drone crossed back into Pakistan after air-dropping the consignment on this side of the LoC. A Jammu-based defence spokesperson confirmed the recovery, while a security official said a joint investigation by the police and the Army has been launched to trace the origin of the drone and the intended recipients.

IAF gets MiG series veteran as new vice chief & two CiCs

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

THE Indian Air Force on Thursday witnessed significant changes at the top leadership level with the appointment of a new Vice Chief of the Air Staff and two new Air Officers Commanding-in-Chief, marking an important transition within the force.

Air Marshal Nagesh Kapoor assumed charge as the Vice Chief of the Air Staff, succeeding Air Marshal Narmdeshwar Tiwari, who superannuated. At the same time, leadership changes occurred in two of the Indian Air Force's seven operational commands.

The Indian Air Force is organised into seven commands tasked with managing national security, operational readiness, and other core responsibilities across the country.

Air Marshal Kapoor is an alumnus of the National Defence Academy and was commissioned into the fighter stream of the Flying Branch on December 6, 1986. He is an experienced fighter pilot, a Qualified Flying Instructor, and a Fighter Combat Leader.

During his flying career, he has flown all variants of the MiG-21 and MiG-29 aircraft, accumulating over 3,400 hours of flight time. An alumnus of the Defence Services Staff College and the National Defence College, he has completed more than 39 years of service.

He has held a wide range of command, operational, instructional, and staff appointments and has also undertaken diplomatic assignments.

Before becoming Vice Chief, he served as Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of Training Command and later South Western Air Command. Alongside this appointment, Air Marshal Tejinder Singh took over as Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of South Western Air Command. Air Marshal Singh earlier headed Training Command after serving as Deputy Chief of the Air Staff at Air Headquarters, New Delhi.

A National Defence Academy graduate, he was commissioned into the fighter stream on June 13, 1987. A Category 'A' Qualified Flying Instructor, he has more than 4,500 hours of flying experience.

Also, Air Marshal Seethepalli Shrinivas assumed charge as Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of Training Command. Air Marshal Shrinivas, also an alumnus of the National Defence Academy, was commissioned into the fighter stream on June 13, 1987. A Category 'A' Qualified Flying Instructor, he has logged over 4,200 flying hours on aircraft, including MiG-21, Iskra, Kiran, and PC-7 Mk II. Prior to this assignment, he served as Senior Air Staff Officer at Headquarters, South Western Air Command, IAF.

Air Marshal Nagesh Kapoor (centre) takes over as the Vice Chief of the Air Staff

BRO appoints its 29th director general

Amid greater push for military infrastructure, Lieutenant General Harpal Singh on Thursday assumed charge as the 29th director general, border roads. Singh was commissioned into the Corps of Engineers in June 1991. The Border Road Organisation (BRO) said, "His professional expertise, organisational acumen and people-centric leadership have been widely acknowledged."

Facing expulsion risk, truckers of Indian origin get relief in the US

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

CALIFORNIA has given temporary relief to about 17,000 non-domiciled commercial driver's licence (CDL) holders, extending the cancellation of their licenses until March 6. Their licences were originally set to expire on January 5. They faced expulsion risks after the US decided for verification.

Immigrants, including Indian-origin drivers, make up about 20 per cent of all truck drivers, while non-domiciled licences account for roughly 5 per cent of all commercial driver's licenses, or about 200,000 drivers nationwide.

The Transportation Department had prioritised the issue after a truck driver who was not authorised to be in the US made an illegal U-turn and caused a crash in Florida that killed three people last August.The California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) said the extension allows more time to work with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) and ensure that eligible truckers can continue driving.

"Commercial drivers are an important part of our economy — our supply chains don't move, and our communities don't stay connected without them," said DMV Director Steve Gordon. "We are hopeful that our collaboration with the federal government will give FMCSA confidence in our updated processes to allow California to promptly resume issuance of non-domiciled commercial driver's licenses."

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Steve Gordon, California official

The DMV said the 60-day extension "allows the parties to find a solution that permits drivers to remain working to serve our communities. The affected drivers will receive letters shortly informing them of the extension. DMV stands ready to resume issuing commercial driver's licences, including corrected licences to eligible drivers." The extension comes after the Sikh Coalition and the San Francisco-based Asian Law Caucus filed a class-action lawsuit on behalf of affected drivers. They argued that immigrant truck drivers were being unfairly targeted.

"While roughly 20,000 drivers received notices in November and December that their CDLs would be cancelled early in 2026, the CA-DMV has extended that timeline to March 6, 2026, for all drivers whose licenses were set to terminate on January 5, 2026," the statement added. "During this period, drivers remain fully licensed to drive commercially, and we continue to discourage drivers from taking steps to downgrade or surrender their licenses."

"This is an important step towards alleviating the immediate threat that these drivers are facing to their lives and livelihoods," said Munmeeth Kaur, Legal Director of the Sikh Coalition. "We intend to remain fully engaged with California to ensure they find and publicise a permanent solution for these drivers."

After 2 bids, regular flights to Israel resume

S LALITHA @ New Delhi

AFTER more than two years, regular flight operations between India and Israel resumed on Thursday. Air India, the only Indian operator in this sector, had stopped operations along with most international airlines after the Hamas attack on Israel on October 7, 2023, considering passenger safety.

A Boeing 777-300 ER aircraft, which can carry a maximum of 344 passengers, has been deployed for the operations. AI139 took off from Terminal 3 of Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA) with 190 passengers at 7.19 am and reached Tel Aviv at 10.15 am (local time).

The return leg, AI140, also took place on Thursday with the flight departing from Tel Aviv at 1.14 pm (local time) and reaching T3 of IGIA at 9.42 pm. The flight will be run five times a week -- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.

"Air India is the only operator in India to Israel. We have good traffic in this sector with nurses, health care students, diplomats and businessmen flying frequently. India is a popular destination among Israelis. The occupancy is over 70% both ways," an AI source said. "After October 7, we tried two times to resume operations and they had to be stopped again due to the unrest in the region. The last time we resumed briefly but stopped operations was in May 2025."

Air India resumes nonstop flights between Tel Aviv and New Delhi on Thursday | x

Last flight in May 2025

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The Embassy of India in Israel said on X, "Direct connectivity is back! Air India resumes nonstop flights between Tel Aviv and New Delhi today. The Embassy of India wishes Air India great success and encourages Indian and Israeli travellers to take advantage of this direct air link between India and Israel.

Air India pilot derostered for suspected alcohol use

S LALITHA @ New Delhi

AN Air India pilot-in-command, Captain Saurabh Kumar, was offloaded from the cockpit of his flight at Vancouver International Airport in Canada after a breathalyser test on board revealed that he had consumed a "very high quantity" of alcohol, said sources.

The flight, carrying 238 passengers, was about to depart from Canada to Delhi via Vienna when the incident happened. An inquiry into the incident is presently on by both the airline and the DGCA. Flight AI 186, a Boeing 777 aircraft, suffered nearly six-hour delay due to the incident on December 23 evening in Vancouver. The plane took off after an alternative pilot was arranged.

A source familiar with the development told this newspaper, "The Captain in uniform had gone to a duty-free shop inside the Vancouver airport to purchase alcohol when the shop manager noticed him already in an inebriated state. She immediately alerted the aviation authorities at the airport. He had meanwhile joined his colleagues in the cockpit. Since this is a long haul flight, it has two sets of flight captains and two flying officers on duty." Another source said the airport authorities went to the flight which was in the bay and identified the pilot. "He was asked to blow into the alcometer breathalyser.

The blood alcohol concentration readings showed 0.30 mg/100 ml, which is considered very high. As per DGCA rules, there should not even be a trace of alcohol in the pilot's blood," he said. He was immediately ordered to leave the flight and taken to the terminal for further tests. Captain Kumar in his early forties has more than 15 years experience in Air India.

An Air India spokesperson said, "Canadian authorities raised concerns regarding the pilot's fitness for duty, following which the crew member was taken for further inquiry."

UNDER PROBE

The National Investigation Agency and the Intelligence Bureau have joined the investigation into the recovery of 150 kg of ammonium nitrate from a car in Rajasthan's Tonk district on Wednesday.

1 NAXAL WITH ₹50K REWARD KILLED IN BIHAR ENCOUNTER

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	27	15	Mumbai	27	21
Bhopal	24	13	Panaji	29	21
Jaipur	19	08	Patna	20	11
Amritsar	17	07	Lucknow	21	11
Chennai	28	23	Port Blair	28	26
Kolkata	24	13	Imphal	21	08
Srinagar	04	-3	Chandigarh	17	08

NE border attracts MP, Maha poachers

Wildlife smugglers preferred Nepal-Tibet route earlier, but find Myanmar more conducive now

ANURAAG SINGH @ Bhopal

INTERNATIONAL smugglers linked with various wild animal poaching gangs in India are abandoning the Nepal-Tibet route and instead using the North East-Myanmar corridor to traffic wild animal parts and live exotic animals into China, investigations by forest and wildlife enforcement agencies have revealed.

Interrogation of ten members of an inter-state gang of poachers from Madhya Pradesh, busted in Chandrapur in Maharashtra in January 2025, and questioning of an international Pangolin smuggler, L Kunga, arrested recently from Mizoram, showed that traffickers are increasingly relying on the new route to move tiger and leopard parts and live exotic species.

China has emerged as a major destination for the illegal wildlife trade, one of the world's most lucrative transnational crimes. Smugglers target a wide range of endangered and protected species, particularly Pangolins, Rhino Horns, Tiger Parts, Elephant Tusks (ivory), and Turtles and Tortoises.

Officials said the prime drivers of demand for wild animal parts in China include traditional Chinese medicine, use as status symbols and for investment, exotic cuisine, and the growing market for exotic pets.

For decades, smugglers traditionally moved wildlife parts and live animals into China through Nepal and Tibet. However, improved, coordinated law enforcement along the Nepal border has drastically reduced such trafficking.

A sustained crackdown by enforcement agencies at major Tibetan population bases in India, especially Delhi's Majnu ka Tila area, has also curbed the smuggling of dead and live wildlife species into China via Nepal and Tibet. Several persons associated with wildlife trafficking were arrested in these operations, key sources in the Madhya Pradesh forest department said.

In contrast, trafficking of wild animal parts and live exotic species is rising sharply through the North East-Myanmar route, particularly through Mizoram, officials said.

"The international Pangolin smuggler L Kunga, who has been wanted for the last ten years by wildlife enforcement agencies in multiple states, including Madhya Pradesh, Odisha and Mizoram, was arrested last month in a joint operation from Kolasib in northern Mizoram. He was wanted by the MP State Forest Department's state tiger strike force (STSF) in a 2015 case of Pangolin smuggling," a senior forest department official in Bhopal told TNIE on Thursday.

Originally from Myanmar, Kunga has made several startling revelations to the MP forest department's wildlife crime wing, especially about the growing use of the North East, particularly the Mizoram-Myanmar corridor, for wildlife smuggling from India.

While Mizoram's Champhai district has emerged as the most active hotspot for smuggling animal parts and live exotic animals into Myanmar for onward delivery to China, Manipur's Moreh town earlier served as the prime route into the neighbouring country, which is currently ruled by a military junta. After entering Myanmar, the animal parts are transported to the illegal wildlife market in Mong La, located on the Myanmar-China border, to meet demand from Chinese and Vietnamese buyers.

"What is contributing to North East (Mizoram and Manipur)-Myanmar becoming the most preferred route of wild animal smugglers for supplying animal parts to Chinese and Vietnamese buyers, is the weakened environmental law enforcement and border security in Myanmar following the 2021 military coup, the largely unfenced India-Myanmar border, and the use of improved infrastructure to boost road connectivity along the Indo-Myanmar border," the official added.

SAME TRADE, NEW WAYS

China is a major destination for illegal wildlife trade involving pangolins, rhino horns, tiger parts, elephant tusks, turtles and tortoises

SMUGGLING VIA NEPAL AND TIBET HAS DECLINED DUE TO TIGHTER BORDER ENFORCEMENT

- Demand in China is driven by traditional medicine, exotic cuisine and the exotic pet trade
- Trafficking is rising via Mizoram, with Champhai district now the main hotspot
- An unfenced border and better roads help smugglers move wildlife to Mong La

The trend emerged from interrogations of a Madhya Pradesh poaching gang arrested in Chandrapur in January 2025 and quizzing of pangolin smuggler L Kunga

Kunga, a Myanmar national was held last month in Mizoram. He was wanted by State Tiger Strike Force.

Govt to probe Lalu land details if complaint made, says Bihar deputy CM

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

BIHAR Deputy Chief Minister Vijay Kumar Sinha on Thursday did not rule out an inquiry into Rashtriya Janata Dal president Lalu Prasad's alleged illegal land property, saying action would follow if a formal complaint is filed.

Sinha, who also holds the revenue and land reforms portfolio, said the state government would take cognisance of the issue if it is raised through a proper application during the Jan Kalyan Samvad grievance sessions he is conducting across the state. His remarks came in response to a media query on Janata Dal (United) spokesperson Neeraj Kumar's demand that the department should examine whether the land on which Lalu's new house is being constructed in Patna is legal.

"If someone puts forward an application during Jan Kalyan Samvad in connection with it, our officials and government will certainly take cognisance of the matter and order an inquiry," the deputy chief minister said. Sinha has been holding Jan Kalyan Samvad meetings in several districts to hear and resolve land disputes. However, his style of functioning has drawn criticism from a section of officers.

The Bihar Revenue Service Association has complained to Chief Minister Nitish Kumar over Sinha's conduct during these meetings. In a letter, the association said Sinha's behaviour "not only damaged the dignity of the state's revenue administration, but also deliberately made an entire service cadre the subject of public ridicule and outrage".

Responding to the criticism, Sinha asserted that he would continue to hold Jan Kalyan Samvad meetings. He said he would keep working against the land mafia as long as he remained in office. Sinha said he would take steps to ensure that citizens do not face trouble with land matters and assured that his priority would remain the interest of citizens.

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VPN use banned in many dists for security reasons

The use of Virtual Private Network (VPN) has been banned in many districts of Jammu and Kashmir for at least two months due to security reasons. According to officials, misuse of VPNs may impede lawful monitoring and pose risks to safety. "VPN services have the potential to be exploited for unlawful and anti-national activities... and coordination of activities prejudicial to the maintenance of public order and tranquility, and national security," reads the order. In Doda, two youths were detained recently for using VPNs on their mobiles. Police initiated action against 15 persons in Sopore and five in Anantnag for VPN use.

Hangul count rises to 323 at Tral centre

In good news for nature and wildlife lovers, the population of endangered Kashmir Stag, popularly known as Hangul, has increased from 127 in 2008 to 323 in 2025 at a breeding centre in Tral of Pulwama district. The rise reflects the success of conservation efforts by the wildlife protection department. Hangul has been listed as "critically endangered" by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and is the only surviving member of the red deer group in the subcontinent. The species is also protected under Schedule I of the J&K Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1978, and the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

Teacher faces suspension over prayer platform

A government schoolteacher in Rajouri is facing suspension after allegedly ordering construction of a platform atop the school building in a sensitive area for offering prayers. The issue escalated after a mob of over 200 people gathered inside the school premises to protest against the construction of the platform. The chief education officer (CEO) during his visit to the school found that Munnawar Hussain, an Arabic lecturer of the higher secondary school at Chingus in Rajouri, had ordered construction of the platform in the absence of the principal. The CEO has placed the lecturer under suspension subject to confirmation from the school education director, Jammu. The director may order an inquiry into the matter.

BIHAR

3 B'deshis held at border for crossing illegally

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

THREE Bangladeshis and an Indian citizen were arrested near the Indo-Nepal border close to Raxaul in Bihar's East Champaran district on Thursday for allegedly crossing into India from Nepal without valid documents. Indian fake currency notes worth ₹36,000 were recovered from them.

The Bangladeshis identified were Mohammad Firoz, Mohammad Sobuj, and Mohammad Shaninur Rahman. Their Indian accomplice was identified as Mohammad M L Sarfaraz Ansari. Police said Ansari facilitated their unauthorised entry. Sashastra Seema Bal jawans apprehended the suspects and later handed them over to Haraiya police station. Police said they had prior intelligence about the attempt and increased surveillance before laying a trap.

"As soon as they tried to cross, they were caught," an SSB official said. Police suspect the group may have entered India for work or illegal activities. SSB officials said accomplices often help infiltrators for money, posing a threat to national security. Similar arrests were made in August last year and in 2023 along the border.

TMC's Abhishek to visit Matua areas after Modi pitch; sharp split emerges

SUBHENDU MAITI @ Kolkata

POLITICAL temperature has gone up in Matua-dominated belt of West Bengal's North 24 Parganas district with a group of the community aligned to the BJP opposing Trinamool Congress national general secretary Abhishek Banerjee's visit on January 9 to Thakurnagar, drawing a sharp response from the group supporting the TMC.

Abhishek's visit plan comes days after PM Narendra Modi virtually addressed a gathering in Nadia district, a heartland of Matuas. Abhishek will offer prayer at Thakurnagar temple of Harichand Thakur and Guruchand Thakur, spiritual leaders of Matuas. Shantanu Thakur, Union minister of state for shipping and BJP MP from Matua-dominated Bongaon, has called upon his supporters to protest against Abhishek's programme. "Matuas won't allow Abhishek to enter Thakurnagar. He does not need to show any solidarity with the community during the electoral rolls revision process," said Shantanu.

In response, Trinamool Congress Rajya Sabha MP Mamatabala Thakur has issued a counter threat. "There will be bloodbath in Thakurnagar if anybody prevents Abhishek from entering Thakurbari temple where he is scheduled to offer prayer," Mamatabala said.

Matua Mahasangha general secretary Sukesh Gyne said, "Thakurbari is for all Matuas and thousands of devotees gather there to offer prayers. People cutting across religious and political affiliations can come to Thakurbari temple. Shantanu Thakur should not think that the Thakurbari temple is his personal property. People will strongly protest if anybody prevents Abhishek Banerjee from visiting Thakurbari."

With Bengal going to polls next year, the Matua issue has become a flashpoint for all parties keeping eyes on their electoral gain. In the SIR, nearly one lakh Matua names have been excluded from the voters' lists in Nadia and North 24 Parganas, two strongholds of the BJP. The TMC is trying to capitalise on the exclusions to reach out to the Matuas. The BJP is seeking to placate the Matuas.

1st Vande Bharat sleeper train to run in election-bound states

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

WITH Assembly polls due in Assam and West Bengal in early 2026, the first Vande Bharat sleeper train is set to begin operations between Guwahati in Assam and Howrah in West Bengal later this month. Assam is expected to go to the polls in March-April 2026 to elect its 126-member Assembly, ahead of the current House completing its term on May 20.

Meanwhile, West Bengal is headed for Assembly polls in the same period, with voting due before the term ends on May 7 to fill all 294 seats.

Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw on Thursday said Prime Minister Narendra Modi will flag off the inaugural run after January 14. "The services will become operational in the next 15-20 days, possibly around January 18 or 19. We have requested the Prime Minister and everything is clear. I will announce the exact date in the next two to three days," Vaishnaw said.

The minister, addressing a press conference, said the Vande Bharat sleeper train will initially operate at the highest permissible speed of 120–130 kmph and cover the entire Guwahati–Howrah stretch overnight. He said the fares would be kept substantially lower than air travel to make the service affordable. "At present, air fares between Guwahati and Kolkata range from ₹6,000 to ₹8,000. The Railways has decided to keep Vande Bharat sleeper fares marginally lower," he said. According to him, the third AC fare will be around ₹2,300 including food, second AC around ₹3,000, and first AC approximately ₹3,600.

He added that the Vande Bharat sleeper train has completed all trials, testing and certification.

The train will have 16 coaches with a total passenger capacity of around 823. This includes 11 AC three-tier coaches, four AC two-tier coaches and one AC first-class coach with 24 berths. "The timetable will be planned so that the train departs from its origin in the evening and reaches the destination early the next morning, making it suitable for overnight travel," the minister said.

Other features include ergonomically-designed berths with improved cushioning, automatic doors with vestibules for smooth movement, enhanced ride comfort through superior suspension and noise reduction, an automatic train protection system (Kavach), an emergency talk-back system and disinfectant technology to maintain high sanitation standards, among others.

The first-ever Vande Bharat sleeper train will begin operations between Guwahati in Assam and Howrah in West Bengal later this month | PIB

New Year eve marks tourism revival in Kashmir

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

THE New Year arrived on a hopeful note for Kashmir tourism as tourist resorts in Gulmarg, Sonamarg, and Pahalgam, along with the historic Ghanta Ghar in Lal Chowk, witnessed grand celebrations, signalling a revival of the sector after last year's setback.

The festive scenes are seen as a major boost for tourism, which was severely impacted by the April 22, 2025, Pahalgam terror attack that claimed the lives of 25 tourists and a local ponywala. Amid snowfall, New Year parties were held at Gulmarg in north Kashmir and Sonamarg in central Kashmir. Large numbers of tourists and locals participated in the celebrations, enjoying music, food, and snow activities.

Pahalgam in south Kashmir also saw vibrant celebrations, though the resort did not have snowfall. Early morning snow in Chandanwari and nearby areas, however, added to the attraction for visitors. In Lal Chowk, the historic Ghanta Ghar area was illuminated and crowded with tourists from across the country and local residents, creating a festive atmosphere. Hotels and resorts organised gala dinners, cultural programmes, and special events to mark the occasion.

Tourists were seen capturing photographs and videos, enjoying snow sports, and participating in organised festivities, reflecting renewed confidence in Kashmir as a safe travel destination. Sajjad Kralyari, tour operator and Secretary General of the Travel Agents Association of Kashmir (TAAK), said the celebrations brought much-needed optimism to the industry.

"Gulmarg and Sonamarg were fully packed. Pahalgam also witnessed good footfall. This is a positive sign for the coming months," Kralyari said, adding that bookings are steadily increasing and summer could be fully booked if the trend continues. "Cabs that were idle are now back on the roads," he noted.

A group of tourists from Ayodhya described the Valley as safe. "People here are hospitable, kind, and helpful. Tourists should visit Kashmir to support local employment," they said. Another group from Punjab praised the natural beauty and reported feeling secure throughout their journey.

Director Tourism Kashmir, Qamar Sajad, said the growing footfall indicates that tourism is back on track. Kashmir's tourism sector hopes the crowds are signs of recovery, offering renewed hope to thousands of families reliant on the industry.

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Vibrant celebrations in Gulmarg, Lal Chowk

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Jain site makes way for Ram temple in revised UP textbook for Class IV

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

UTTAR Pradesh has introduced changes to Class IV NCERT textbooks in over one lakh council-run primary schools from the 2026-27 academic session. The revisions aim to better reflect the state's cultural and educational context.

In mathematics, the revised textbook Ganit Mela has updated the fourth chapter, "Humare Aaspaas Hazaron Ki Sankhya." An earlier illustration of a Jain temple in Karnataka, along with related exercises, has been replaced by an image of Ayodhya's Shri Ram Temple and corresponding questions.

The Hindi, environmental studies, and art syllabi have also been customised. Names and references linked to southern India were changed: 'Gudappa' became 'Ganesh,' 'Muniamma' became 'Meena,' and coconut trees were replaced with aonla trees.

Rajendra Pratap, principal of the State Institute of Education, said, "The testing and customisation of the textbooks were carried out keeping in mind Uttar Pradesh's educational conditions, local needs, and environment. This is expected to greatly benefit students."

Several lessons in the Class IV Hindi textbook Veena were replaced. "Aasman Gira" was substituted with "Hausla" from the Basic Education Council's textbook Phulwari. The one-page lesson "Golgappa" was replaced by "Daisy Ki Diary," and "Hawa Aur Dhool" was substituted with "Satya Ki Jeet," based on the story of Satyavadi Harishchandra.

The art textbook Bansuri was enriched with regional content. In addition to South Indian Kolam, it now explains the Uttar Pradesh tradition of Chauk Purana, or rangoli making. The book features photographs of music maestro Pandit Chhannulal Mishra of the Banaras Gharana and classical vocalist Girija Devi. Musical references were localised, with Kajri, Barahmasa, Ganga Geet, and a Hindi-Awadhi-Bhojpuri lullaby replacing songs from southern and north-eastern regions.

The environmental studies textbook Hamara Adbhut Sansar includes new local topics such as the state flower and traditional foods.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I the undersigned advocate on behalf of my client **Sri Shamanna and others** have filed the above petition for the death certificate of **Muthakka W/o Late Nanjudappa was died on 19-03-1994** at Ward # 6, Behind Evergreen School, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the II ADDL. Civil Judge & JMFC at Devanahalli and date of hearing **on 06/02/26 at 11.00 A.M. in C.Misc. No. 663/2025.**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Sri C.D. Ramachandra, Advocate

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -II AT BANGALORE

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O. A. No. 1193 OF 2023

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And

M/s. Satvik Organic Pvt Ltd., & Others **...Defendants**

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To:

Def: 1. M/s. Satvik Organic Pvt Ltd., No. 36/1, Sri Malikarjuna Temple Street, Basavangudi, Bangalore - 560 004.

Whereas, the above named Applicant has instituted an Application U/s 19 of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993, against the Defendant for recovery of a sum of **Rs.29,54,000/-**along with interest at 12.00 % p.a. compounded monthly on the over draft Facility and at 11.65% p.a. compounded monthly on the WCTL Facility from the date of application till date of recovery and other reliefs. You are required to show cause within 30 days of the service of the summons on or before **09.02.2026 at 10.30 A.M.** as to why reliefs prayed for should not be granted. Take notice that, in case of default the Application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this the **15.10.2025 at Bangalore.**

Sd/- Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal -II,
Bengaluru-560 001

BEFORE THE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II AT BANGALORE

4th Floor, BSNL Building, Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru- 560 001

Original Application No.1857/2024

Between : **STATE BANK OF INDIA,** Represented by its Chief Manager, Mr. Binoy Kumar Srivastava, Stressed Asset Recovery Branch, (SARB), J. C. Road, Bangalore - 560 002 , Email ID : sbi.05173@ sbi.co.in, PAN No. AAACS8577K, IFSC Code : SBIN0005173, Mobile No. 7506363390 **...Applicant**

AND

Mr. SURESH DEVADIGA ....Defendants

SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES 1993 TO THE DEFENDANT No. 1 THROUGH PAPER PUBLICATION

To : Mr. Suresh Devadiga, S/o. Gopal Devadiga, Aged about 46 Years Residing at No. 325/2, 2nd Floor, 5th Main 9th Cross, Malesh Palya, Near Chaithanya Tech School, Bangalore - 560 075, PAN No. AYTPD5695B

Having Office Addess at : The Kitchen, No. 845, Ground Floor HAL 3rd Stage, Near Thippasandra Geethanjali Layout, Bangalore - 560 075.

WHEREAS, the Applicant has instituted an Application under section 19 of Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 against Defendant for Recovery sum of **Rs.1,80,70,628/-** (Rupees One Crore Eighty Lakhs Seventy Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Eight Only)

The above mentioned Defendant is directed to appear before the Tribunal in person or through an advocate or duly authorised agent in support of your defence to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on **23.02.2026 at 11.00 a.m.** as to why reliefs prayed should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default, the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal, on this the **21.10.2025** at Bangalore. By order of the Tribunal

Sd/-Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal-2 Bengaluru

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is hereby informed that, our client is intending to purchase the Schedule Property mentioned below from its owners viz., 1) Mrs.Saraswathi, wife of late K.Srinivasa Rao, 2) Mr.K.S.Girishar, 3)Mr.K.S.badari Prasad, 4) Mr.K.S.Rama Prasad and 5) Mrs.Nagaveni.K.S all children of late K.Srinivasa Rao, residing at No.19/1, "Guru Krupa", Dattatreya Temple Street (Pipeline Main Road) Malleshwaram, BANGALORE-560 003. It is represented by the Owners that, they have acquired the Schedule Property through the ancestral. It is represented, further, by the Owner that, they have clear, valid and marketable title to the Schedule Property and it is free from all encumbrances.

If any person/s who claim/s any right, title or interest of any nature in or any lien, charge or enforceable right in relation to the said Schedule Property and/or any objections of any nature to the transaction should lodge such claims and/or objections in writing to the undersigned together with supporting documents within **Seven days** hereof, failing which it will be presumed that no valid claims or objections subsist and our Clients would proceed to complete the transaction with aforesaid Owner subject to compliance with other statutory and legal formalities.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the that piece and parcel of the immovable residential Southern Portion of the property bearing Old No.19, presently 19/1, Dattatreya Temple Street (Pipeline Main Road) Malleshwaram, Bangalore, presently BBMP PID No.1683999235, measuring east to west on the Northern side 45 feet, on the Southern side 50 feet and North to South on the Eastern side 30 feet and on the western side 29 feet, (the property presently measures 28.6 feet towards East and West as per actuals) along with Stilt, Ground, First and Second Floors residential house thereon and bounded on the :-

East :by: Pipeline Main Road (Dattatreya Temple Street)
West :by: Property belonging to late Hanumantharayappa
North :by: Property belonging to K.J.Arya and Kanchan Arya, Municipal No.19
South :by: 5th Cross Road
Place: Bangalore
Dated:02.03.2025

H.D.Basappa, Advocate
LAKSHITH LAW ASSOCIATES
"G.R.Complex", No.31, Service Road, Domlur Layout, Bangalore-560 071
E-Mail ID-basappahd2018@gmail.com
M:- 9986349626

PUBLIC NOTICE

The notice is hereby given to public that our client P.V.Satheesh Kumar has lost original registered sale deed bearing doc.No.2538 /2023-24. It is hereby informed to the public that in case any of them finds the same can contact on the below mentioned address or phone number.

SCHEDULE :

All that piece and parcel of Property No.159, Survey No.159, BBMP E-PID No.3508016564, old BBMP SI/Katha No.101/159, Situated at Hagaduru Village, K.R.Pura Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, and measuring 30x40ft, and bounded the East by: Property belongs to Smt.Puttamma, West by: Public Road, North by: Land, South by : Private Land.

V.L. Associates
Advocates
No.56, Out house, 19th Main Road, 2nd Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560 010.
Ph: 9481900851/9743323668.
Place: Bangalore Date: 01.01.2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the original Sale Deed dated 04.01.1969, registered as Document No.50 of 1969, Book-I, Volume 1066, Pages 83 to 91, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Periamet, Chennai, relating to the property bearing Door No. 15/8, M.V.Badran Street, Periamet, Chennai – 600003, purchased by Late G. Abdul Rahman, has been lost/misplaced.

A complaint regarding the loss of the said document has been duly lodged at Ramamurthy Nagar Police Station, Bengaluru City, vide Lost Report/FIR No. 1968098/2025 dated 20.12.2025.

Any person who finds the said original Sale Deed or has any claim, right, title, interest, or objection in respect of the above property is requested to contact the undersigned within **15 (fifteen) days** from the date of publication of this notice.

If no objections are received within the stipulated period, it shall be presumed that no one has any claim, and necessary steps will be taken to obtain a certified copy of the Sale Deed from the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Periamet, Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

Sd/- Faseeur Rahman G,
Bengaluru,Contact No.: 9731764416

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the general public that my client is intending to purchase the properties described below as Item No. 1 and Item No. 2, and the following ownership details have been furnished by the respective owners.

Item No. 1 The property belonging to Mr. G. Suresh, S/o Late D.M. Gundappa, Mrs. Shylashree H.S, W/o G. Suresh, and Miss. Haripriya A.S, D/o G. Suresh, all residing at Kurubarapete, Hoskote Town, Hoskote, Bengaluru Rural District.

Mr. G. Suresh acquired the Schedule Property through a Registered Will Deed bearing Document No. HSK-3-00023/2009-10 dated 05/06/2009, executed by Late Mr. D.M. Gundappa in his favour. Prior to the same, Late Mr. D.M. Gundappa had acquired the Schedule Property through Taluk Tahasildar Hukum No. LND(N)-RUCSR72/1993-94, Saguvali Chit No. 239/1993-94, MR No. 15/1993-94.

All that piece and parcel of land bearing Old Survey No. 78 & New Survey No. 119, measuring 2 Acres 20 Guntas, situated at Chokkasandra Village, Nandagudi Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, bounded as follows:

East : Motakadahalli Gadi
West : Bangalore–Kadapa Road
North : Land belonging to Muninagappa
South : Land belonging to Shiva Raju

Item No. 2 The property belonging to Mr. Shivaraj N.B, S/o Narayanachari, Mrs. Shobha, W/o Shivaraj N.B, Miss. Chandana H.S, D/o Shivaraj N.B, and Master Bhuvaneshwar H.S, all residing at Haleooru Village, Nandagudi Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District.

Mr. Shivaraj N.B acquired the Schedule Property through Taluk Tahasildar Hukum No. LND(N)-RUCSR72/1993-94, Saguvali Chit No. 240/1993-94, MR No. 7/1993-94.

All that piece and parcel of land bearing Old Survey No. 78 & New Survey No. 120, measuring 2 Acres 20 Guntas, situated at Chokkasandra Village, Nandagudi Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, bounded as follows:

East : Motakadahalli Gadi
West : Bangalore–Kadapa Road
North : Land belonging to Gundappa
South : Land belonging to Sakamma

OBJECTIONS, IF ANY

Any person or persons having any right, title, interest, claim or objection of whatsoever nature in respect of the above said properties or the proposed transaction are hereby called upon to submit their objections in writing along with documentary proof within 15 (Fifteen) days from the date of publication of this notice to the undersigned. If no objections are received within the stipulated period, it shall be presumed that there are no claims or objections whatsoever, and my client shall proceed with the proposed purchase of the above said properties, and such persons shall be barred from raising any claim thereafter.

Place : Bengaluru **Date :** 02.01.2026

Sd/- Mr. Veerabadraiah G Advocate
AV LAW ASSOCIATES
#9/2(S2), 2nd Floor, 5th Main, Indian Overseas Bank Building, Behind BDA, KP West, Bengaluru – 560020 Ph: 99454 65629

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TENDER NOTICE PUB/1689

On behalf of the President of India, Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer, Secunderabad Division, South Central Railway, Secunderabad invites open tenders for the following works through e-procurement of the tenders

Sl. No. 1, **Tender No. & Date:** C_SG_36_583 Dt:29/12/2025, Closing dt: 19/01/2026, **Name of the work: 1)** Telecom arrangement in connection with augmentation / up gradation of freight wagon maintenance infrastructure facilities at KZJ / C&W/ Depot. **2)** KZJ-BZA Section: Up gradation of COPs with new sheeting (SS gutter, new sheeting) & Provision of additional PF under ADEN/S/KZJ, KDM, NKD, GLA, YGL, CLE, TAA, GUU)........ **13)** MTMI-JNPD Section: Through formation treatment with Geo Textile along with Blanketing material for total length of 10.40 Km on single lines at various location. **14)** DKJ-MUGR: Telecom Portion for proposed Manning of existing 4 unmanned LC gates on lead line of KTPS siding **(Total 14 Works). Approx. Value (₹):** 1,09,75,065.75, **Bid security/ EMD (₹):** 2,04,900.00

Sl. No. 2, **Tender No. & Date:** C_SG_36_584 Dt:30/12/2025, Closing dt: 20/01/2026, **Name of the work:** Signalling works in connection with Engineering BCM machine works in Sr. DEN/W & DEN/NW sections over SC division, **Approx. Value (₹):** 1,30,57,834.36, **Bid security/ EMD (₹):** 2,15,300.00

For further details visit the website **www.ireps.gov.in**; Bid security /EMD to be paid as per GCC 2022

*As per IRSGCC-2022, e-Tender Forms shall be issued free of cost to all tenderers. (Ref: IRGCC 2022 part-I, Clause-3)

Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer/ SIG/Secunderabad
A2152

For further tender conditions / details and for downloading the tender documents, Please visit website at http://www.ireps.gov.in or www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in

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The Brihanmumbai Electric Supply & Transport Undertaking
(OF THE BRIHANMUMBAI MAHANAGARPALIKA)

TENDER NOTICE

E-tender is invited for the supply of following item.

(1) 81199 - Triennial Contract for Hiring of Vehicle Mounted Diesel Generator Sets having ratings of 250 kVA & 500 kVA, (2) 81204 - Selection of Agency for Designing, Development, Implementation and Maintenance of Websites of BEST Undertaking,

Re – invited e-tenders

(3) 81057.

Note: For more details, log on to website **https://mahatenders.gov.in**

PRO/AAM(M)/103/2026 GENERAL MANAGER

WESTERN RAILWAY

ELECTRICAL WORK

Deputy Chief Electrical Engineer (Construction), Western Railway, 1st floor Station Building, Room No. 165, Churchgate, Mumbai 400 020, invites **e-Tender Notice No: EL-92-12-C-CCG-2025-26-02, Date: 29.12.2025. Name of Work**: Design, Supply, Erection, testing and commissioning of 25 KV AC OHE for New Coaching Terminus (TRD Work) of platform return Trains at Vasai Road under Mumbai Division of Western Railway. **NIT cost**: ₹ 5,59,58,195/-. **EMD**: ₹ 4,29,800/-. **e-Bid submission closing on**: Till 20.01.2026, 15:00 Hrs. **e-Bid opening date**: On 20.01.2026 at 15:30 Hrs. For further details please visit our website **www.ireps.gov.in** 0958

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Possession Notice (For Immovable Property) Rule 8-(1)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of IIFL Home Finance Limited (Formerly known as India Infoline Housing Finance Ltd.) (II FL-H FL) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) mad with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, a Demand Notice was issued by the Authorised Officer of the company to the Borrower/Co-Borrowers mentioned herein below to repay the amount notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has **taken possession** of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Rules. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **IIFL HFL** for an amount as mentioned herein under with interest thereon.The borrowers attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, If the borrower dears the dues of the **"IIFL HFL"** together with all costs. charges and expenses incurred, at any time before the date fixed for sale or transfer, the secured assets shall not be sold or transferred by **"IIFL HFL"** and no further step shall be taken by **"IIFL HFL"** for transfer or sale of the secured assets.

Name of the Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)	Description of the Secured Asset (Immovable Property)	Total Outstanding Dues (Rs.)	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession
Mrs. Harshitha Malikakjunaiah Gangadkar Yanthra Industries, Mr. Arjun, Mr.Venkataramaiahna Palya Nagaiah Rangaiah **Prospect No. IL10313419**	All that piece and parcel of Site no 5, khatha no 150, Assessment no 12/12, situated at gollarpalya village, Yeshwanthpur hobli, Bangalore North Tq, Karnataka- 560091. Area Admeasuring (IN SQ. FT.): Property Type: Land_Area, Built_Up_Area, Carpet_ Area. Property Area: 1010.00,821.00, 1010.00, Bounded By: North: Site No 4, South: House Of Chikkabasayya, East: Road, West: Site Of Govindayya And Junjamarayya	**₹3737433.00/-** (Rupees Thirty Seven Lakh Thirty Seven Thousand Four Hundred and Thirty Three Only)	**08/10/ 2025**	**30/12/ 2025**

For, further details please contact to Authorised Officer at **Branch Office:** ADAM CHAMBERS," #11, Richmond Road, Bengaluru - 560025 **or Corporate Office :** IIFL Tower, Plot No. 98, Udyog Vihar, Ph-IV Gurgaon, Haryana.

Place : Bangalore | Date : 02.01.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For IIFL Home Finance Ltd.**

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)

ASSET RECOVERY MANAGEMENT(ARM) II BRANCH

2nd Floor, Circle Office, Spencer Towers, No.86, M G Road, Bengaluru-560001 Email: cb6298@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

(Under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assests and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provisio to Rule 8 (6) of Security Intrest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the secured creditors the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Canara Bank, ARM Branch II Bangalore,** will be sold on **22.01.2026, 1.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. [with unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of sale], "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** basis for recovery of outstanding dues from below mentioned Borrowes. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit is mentioned below.

Neme of Borrowers and Guarantors	Total Liabilities as per Sale Notice		Auction Date & Time	Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Date & Time	Incremetal Value at Bid
1) Ms. Aishwaryagiri Constructions Pvt. Ltd., No. 1/4, Unit No F-2, 2nd Floor, 10th Cross, 4th Main Road, MC Layout, Bengaluru-560040. **Also at : Ms. Aishwaryagiri Constructions Pvt. Ltd.,** No. 236, EWS, 2nd Stage, 2nd Main, 5th Cross, KHB Colony, Basaveshwarnagar, Bangalore-560079. **2) G. Jayaramaiah** S/o. Giriyappa, No. 236, 5th Cross, 2nd Stage 2nd Main, K.H.B. Colony, Basaveswara Nagar, Bengaluru-560079. **3) Mr. Shivakumar** S/o. Giriyappa, No. 236, 5th Cross, 2nd Stage 2nd Main, K.H.B. Colony, Basaveswara Nagar, Bengaluru-560079. **Also at : Mr. Shivakumar** S/o. Giriyappa, No. 147, 4th Cross, Jothinagar, Chandra Layout, Bangalore-560072.	Rs. **41,65,62,526.64** (Rupees Forty One Crore Sixty Five Lakhs Sixty two Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Six and Sixty Four Paisa only) as on 01.12.2025 plus further interest thereon.	****Vacant site nos 191,199,200-202,243,255,258,286,290,291,292,293,295-304, (Total 23 sites) located at Sunnagatta Kasaba Hobli, Neelasandra, Channapatna Taluk, Ramanagar Dist.**	**22.01.2026 from 1.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.**	**Reserve Price :** Rs. 9,29,44,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 92,94,400/-	Multiples of Rs. 25,000/- The EMD shoudl be deposited on or before **21.01.2026** **Encumbrance(s) : Not known to Bank**
		(1) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 191, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/191 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 60 ft and North South 40 ft and bounded as follows : East by : 20 ft. Road, West by : Property of Subhadra & Gouthamchand, North by: Site No.190, South by: Site No.192.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(2) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 199, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/199 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 60 ft and North South 40 ft and bounded as follows : East by : 20 ft. Road, West by : Property of Subhadra & Gouthamchand, North by: Site No.198, South by: Site No. 200.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(3) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 200, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/200 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 60 ft and North South 40 ft and bounded as follows : East by : 20 ft. Road, West by : Property of Subhadra & Gouthamchand, North by: Site No.199, South by: Site No. 201.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(4) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 201, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/201 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 60 ft and North South 60 ft and bounded as follows: East by : 20 ft. Road, West by : Property of Subhadra & Gouthamchand, North by: Site No.200, South by: 20 ft. Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 64,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 6,40,000/-	
		(5) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 202, Kaneshumari No.304/202 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 27 ft and North South 60 ft and bounded as follows : East by : Property of Subhadra & Gouthamchand, West by : Road, North by: Site No.203, South by: Property of Subhadra & Gouthamchand.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 28,58,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 2,85,800/-	
		(6) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 243, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/243 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 40 ft and North South 30 ft and bounded as follows: East by : Site No. 242, West by : 20 ft. Road, North by: Site No.204, South by: Remaining portion of property.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 21,17,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 2,11,700/-	
		(7) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 255, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/255 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 60 ft and North South 40 ft and bounded as follows : East by : 20 ft. Road, West by : Property of Subhadra and Gouthamchand, North by: Site No.254, South by: Site No. 256.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(8) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 258, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/258 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 60 ft and North South 30 ft and bounded as follows : East by : 20 ft. Road, West by : Property of Subhadra and Gouthamchand, North by: Site No.257, South by: Remaining portion of the property.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 31,75,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 3,17,500/-	
		(9) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 286, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari No.305/286 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 24 ft and North South (52+55)/2 ft and bounded as follows : East by : Site No. 22, West by : Site no.287, North by: Property of Jayaramu and sites of Tahsildar Office, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 22,65,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 2,26,500/-	
		(10) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 290, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari No.305/290 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 41 ½ ft and North South 57, towards west 60 ft (41 ½ *(57+60)/2) and bounded as follows : East by : Site No. 289, West by : Site no.291, North by: Property of Jayaramu and sites of Tahsildar Office, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(11) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.291, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/291 situated at Sunnaghatta village,NeelaSandra grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapatna Taluk,Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by : Site no 290, West by: Site no 292, North by : Sites of Tahsildar Office, South by : Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(12) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.292, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/292 situated at Sunnaghatta village, Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 291, West by: Site no 293, North by: Property of Jayaramu and Sites of Tahsildar Office, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(13) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.293, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/293 situated at unnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat,Kasabaa Hobli,Channapattana Taluk,Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 292, West by: Site no 294, North by: Property of Jayaramu and Sites Tahsildar Office, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(14) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.295, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/295 at Sunnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat,Kasabaa Hobli,Channapattana Taluk,Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 294, West by: Site no 296, North by: Property of Jayaramu, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(15) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.296, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/296 situated at Sunnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat,Kasabaa Hobli,Channapattana Taluk,Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 295, West by: Site no 297,North by: Property of Jayaramu, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(16) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.297, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/297 situated at Sunnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat,Kasabaa Hobli,Channapattana Taluk,Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 296, West by: Site no 298, North by: Property of Jayaramu, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(17) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.298, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/298 situated at Sunnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasabaa Hobli, Channapattana Taluk,Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 297, West by: Site no 299, North by: Property of Jayaramu, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(18) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.299, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/299 situated at Sunnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasabaa Hobli, Channapattana Taluk,Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 298, West by: Site no 300, North by: Property of Jayaramu, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(19) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no. 300, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/300 at Sunnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasabaa Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 299, West by: Site no 301, North by: Property of Jayaramu , South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(20) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.301, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/301 situated at Sunnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasabaa Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 300, West by: Site no 302, North by: Property of Jayaramu, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(21) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing site no.302, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/302 at Sunnaghatta village, Neelasandra grama panchayat,Kasabaa Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 301, West by: Site no 303, North by: Property of Jayaramu, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(22) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing site no.303, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/303 at Sunnaghatta village, Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasabaa Hobli,Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 302, West by: Property of Sheshanna, Gangadhar, North by: Property of Jayaramu, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(23) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.304, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/304 at Sunnaghatta village, Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasabaa Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring east to West 28 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Private Property, West by: Site no 305, North by: Road, South by: Property of Puttaswamy.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 30,29,000/- **EMD :** Rs.3,02,900/-	

Other terms and Conditions :

a. Auction / bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website **https://baanknet.com/** Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings.
b. The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer.
c. The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process.
d. EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of **M/s. PSB Alliance Private Limited (BAANKNET)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan.
e. After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or **before 21.01.2026,** to Canara Bank, ARM Branch II Bangalore by hand. i) Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT Acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No. ii) Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount. iii) Bid Form.
intending bidders should register their names at portal **https://baanknet.com/** and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E- auction from the service provider, **M/s. PSB Alliance (BAANKNET) - e-mail: support.baanknet@psballiance.com,**
EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD shall not carry any interest.
f. Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of **Rs. 25,000/-.** The bidder who submits the highest bid (above the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor.
g. The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorized Officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again. This amount shall be deposited by way of Demand draft in favour of Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, ARM II Branch OR shall be deposited through RTGS / NEFT / Fund Transfer to credit of account of Canara Bank, ARM II Branch, **A/c. No. 209272434, IFSC Code: CNRB0006298.**
h. For sale proceeds of **Rs. 50.00 Lacs** (Rupees Fifty Lacs only) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at a rate 1% or as applicable rate on the sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the bank.
i. All charges for Conveyance, Stamp Duty/GST/Registration Charges tax arrears, other charges, dues etc., As applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only.
j. Authorised Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the E-auction without assigning any reason thereof.
k. In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the E-auction, they can approach concerned Circle office or Canara Bank ARM II, who as a facilitating centre shall make necessary arrangements.
l. Bidder has to make due diligence and physical verification of property with regard to title, extent, area dues, etc. No claim subsequent to submission of bid shall be entertained by the bank.
For further details contact Authorised Officer, Canara Bank , ARM Branch-2- (9113092975, 8921102717, 9993777728, 9483544116, 8709675503 and 080-25310181) during office hours on any working day) e-mail id – cb6298@canarabank.com OR the service provider M/s. PSB Alliance(BAANKNET) - e- mail: support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com

Special Instruction/Caution

Bidding in the last minutes/seconds should be avoided by the bidders in their own interest. Neither Canara Bank nor the Service Provider will be responsible for any lapses/failure (Internet failure, Power failure, etc.) on the part of the bidder or vendor in such cases. In order to ward off such contingent situation, bidders are requested to make all the necessary arrangements/alternatives such as back –up, power supply and whatever else required so that they are able to circumvent such situation and are able to participate in the auction successfully.

Date : 31.12.2025
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/-Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

356 people executed by Saudi authorities in 2025

GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • LS: Light Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	29	19	SNY	Los Angeles	20	12	SNY
Colombo	29	23	TDS	Melbourne	17	5	LC
Dhaka	27	16	TDS	Moscow	4	2	SNY
Dubai	26	22	SNY	New York	2	-3	SNY
Houston	30	23	TDS	Singapore	27	25	TDS
Istanbul	33	21	SNY	Toronto	-6	-8	SNY
London	12	8	SNY	Washington	3	-2	SNY

Hindu businessman critically injured in another mob attack in Bangladesh

NEW DELHI

A 50-year-old Hindu businessman, Khokon Chandra Das, was critically injured after being attacked by a group of assailants in Shariatpur district of Bangladesh, on the night of December 31, local media reported. Das, who runs a pharmacy in the Keorbhanga area of Kaneshwar was returning home from work when he was allegedly stabbed, beaten, and doused with petrol before being set on fire. He survived by jumping into a nearby pond, after which villagers rushed to his help.

"He is a simple man and did not harm anyone. We do not know who attacked him. We want justice," Das's wife, Seema Das, told reporters. Hospital officials said Das suffered severe burn injuries in his face and right hand along with multiple stab wounds and is currently receiving treatment at Dhaka Medical College Hospital.

Supporters of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) and mourners gather around the grave of former prime minister Khaleda Zia in Dhaka | AFP

The attack is the fourth incident in recent weeks targeting members of Bangladesh's Hindu community. On December 24, 29-year-old Amrit Mondal was allegedly lynched by a mob in Kalimohar Union, Mymensingh district.

Earlier, on December 18, 25-year-old Dipu Chandra Das was killed in Bhaluka Upazila following alleged blasphemy accusations at his workplace. Authorities said investigations are ongoing. The Muhammad Yunus-led interim government, which took power after the ouster of former Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina in August 2024, condemned the attacks but stated that preliminary findings in some cases suggested motives linked to extortion and criminal activity rather than communal violence.

India has expressed concern over what it described as "unremitting hostility" toward minorities in Bangladesh, including Hindus, Christians, and Buddhists. External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar visited Dhaka on December 31 to meet opposition leader Tarique Rahman and conveyed condolences following the death of former Prime Minister Khaleda Zia, amid strained bilateral relations under the interim administration. *ENS*

Zohran Mamdani places his hand on a copy of the Quran as he is sworn in as New York mayor by (left) Attorney General Letitia James | AFP

Mamdani takes oath as mayor on Quran in subway

Ceremony marks multiple historic firsts in NYC's political, cultural life; reflects change

NEW YORK

INCOMING Mayor Zohran Mamdani took his midnight oath of office on a centuries-old Quran, marking the first time a mayor of New York City uses Islam's holy text to be sworn in and underscoring a series of historic firsts for the city.

The 34-year-old Democrat became mayor in a long-closed subway station beneath City Hall, the first Muslim, first South Asian and first African-born person to hold that position. These milestones — as well as the historical Quran — reflect the longstanding and vibrant Muslim residents of the nation's most populous city, according to a scholar who helped Mamdani's wife, Rama Duwaji, select one of the books.

Most of Mamdani's predecessors were sworn in on a Bible, although the oath to uphold the federal, state and city constitutions does not require the use of any religious text.

And while he has focused heavily on the issue of affordability during his campaign, Mamdani was outspoken about his Muslim faith. He frequently appeared at mosques across the five boroughs as he built a base of support that included many first-time South Asian and Muslim voters.

Two Qurans were to be used during the subway ceremony: his grandfather's Quran and a pocket-sized version that dates back to the late 18th or early 19th century. It is part of the collection at the New York Public Library's Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture. That copy of the Quran symbolizes the diversity and reach of the city's Muslims, said Hiba Abid, the library's curator for Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies. "It's a small Quran, but it brings together elements of faith and identity in New York City history," Abid said.

For a subsequent swearing-in ceremony at City Hall on the first day of the year, Mamdani will use both his grandfather's and grandmother's Qurans. The campaign hasn't offered more details on those heirlooms. *AP*

Ukraine drone strike kills 24 in Kherson, says Moscow

KYIV

A Ukrainian drone strike killed 24 people and wounded at least 50 more as they celebrated the New Year in a Russian-occupied village in Ukraine's Kherson region, Russian officials said Thursday, as tensions between the two nations continue to spike despite diplomats hailing productive peace talks.

Three drones struck a cafe and hotel in the resort town of Khorly on the Black Sea coast, the region's Moscow-installed leader Vladimir Saldo said in a statement on Telegram. He said that one of the drones carried an incendiary mixture, sparking a blaze.

Ukrainian officials did not immediately comment on the claim of a strike. The attack could not be independently verified by The Associated Press.

The attack was condemned by a number of Russian officials. Valentina Matviyenko, the chair of Russia's upper house of parliament, the Federation Council, said that the strike "strengthened" Russia's resolve to quickly achieve its goals in its almost four-year invasion of Ukraine.

The strike "once again demonstrates the validity of our initial demands," Matviyenko said. The statement follows claims from Moscow that Ukraine launched a long-range drone attack against one of Russian President Vladimir Putin's official residences in northwestern Russia on Tuesday. Kyiv has denounced the claims as a "lie." Russia's Ministry of Defense said Thursday that its specialists had accessed the navigation system in one of the drones it claimed was used in the attack and used its data to confirm that Putin's residence was the drone's final destination. The claim could not be verified as the ministry did not share evidence, but officials said that it would transfer the data to US officials "through established channels." *AP*

6 killed as Iran protests widen beyond Tehran

DUBAI

WIDENING demonstrations sparked by Iran's ailing economy spread Thursday into the Islamic Republic's rural provinces, with at least six people being killed in the first fatalities reported among security forces and protesters, authorities said. The deaths may mark the start of a heavier-handed response by Iran's theocracy over the demonstrations, which have slowed in the capital, Tehran, but expanded elsewhere. The fatalities, one on Wednesday and five on Thursday, occurred in three cities predominantly home to Iran's Lur ethnic group.

Protesters march in downtown Tehran, Iran | AP

The protests have become the biggest in Iran since 2022, when the death of 22-year-old Mahsa Amini in police custody triggered nationwide demonstrations. However, the demonstrations have yet to be countrywide and have not been as intense as those surrounding the death of Amini, who was detained over not wearing her hijab, or headscarf, to the liking of authorities.

In Lordegan, a city in Iran's Chaharmahal and Bakhtiari province, online videos showed demonstrators gathered on a street, with the sound of gunfire in the background. The footage matched known features of Lordegan, some 470 kilometers (290 miles) south of Tehran. The semiofficial Fars news agency, citing an anonymous official, said two people had been killed during the protests on Thursday.

The Washington-based Abdorrahman Boroumand Center for Human Rights in Iran said two people had been killed there, identifying the dead as demonstrators. It also shared a still image of what appeared to be an Iranian police officer, wearing body armor and wielding a shotgun. Iran's government media did not immediately report on the violence in Lordegan. In 2019, protests broke out in Lordegan over reports of HIV infections from contaminated needles at a clinic. *AP*

Justice Department reviews 5.2 million Epstein documents, ramps up legal effort

WASHINGTON

THE Department of Justice has expanded its review of documents related to the convicted sex offender Jeffrey Epstein to 5.2 million as it also increases the number of attorneys trying to comply with a law mandating release of the files, according to a person briefed on a letter sent to US Attorneys.

The figure is the latest estimate in the expanding review of case files on Epstein and his longtime girlfriend Ghislaine Maxwell that has run more than a week past a deadline set in law by Congress. The Justice Department has more than 400 attorneys assigned to the review, but does not expect to release more documents until January 20 or 21, according to the person briefed on the letter who spoke on the condition of anonymity because they were not authorised to discuss it.

The expanding scope of the disclosure and the additional legal firepower committed to it showed how the Epstein file investigation will continue to occupy significant attention in Congress and the White House, almost ensuring that it remains a potent political force as the new year rolls toward midterm elections. The White House did not dispute the figures laid out in the email, and pointed to a statement from Todd Blanche, the deputy attorney general, who said the administration's review was an "all-hands-on-deck approach."

Blanche said Wednesday that lawyers from the Justice Department in Washington, the FBI, the Southern District of Florida, and the Southern District of New York are working "around the clock" to review the files. The additional documents and lawyers related to the case were first reported by *The New York Times*. *AP*

TAIWAN VOWS TO DEFEND SOVEREIGNTY

TAIPEI: Taiwanese President Lai Ching-te vowed to defend the island's sovereignty against China's "expansionist ambitions" in a New Year's address, days after Beijing ended live-fire military drills near Taiwan. Lai said Taiwan would strengthen defence and societal resilience to build effective deterrence. China, which claims Taiwan as its territory, condemned the remarks, calling Lai a "troublemaker". The comments follow tensions over planned US arms sales to Taiwan and warnings from Beijing, with President Xi Jinping reiterating that annexation was inevitable.

Bulgarians withdraw euros as country joins euro zone

SOFIA

BULGARIANS began withdrawing euros for the first time on Thursday after the former communist nation joined the euro currency union as its 21st member. Cash machines in the capital, Sofia, dispensed brand new euro banknotes, replacing the lev, which will still be in use for cash payments in January. However, people will receive only euros in change.

The country of nearly 6.7 million people was one of the poorest when it first became a member of the European Union in 2007. Joining the European single-currency system means deeper EU integration after its 1989 transition from a Soviet-style economy to democracy and free markets.

Bulgarians sing and shout as they celebrate the New Year and the adoption of the euro in front of the Bulgarian National Bank in Sofia | AP

However, the historic milestone arrives amid political instability, with the conservative-led government forced to resign earlier this month following nationwide anti-corruption protests, and skepticism among ordinary people, fueled by fears of price rises. The government had to beat down inflation to 2.7% earlier this year to comply with EU rules and win approval from EU leaders. But its resignation left the country without a regular budget for next year, hampering reforms and the use of the 27-member bloc's support funds, fueling protests.

Nationalist and pro-Russian groups in Bulgaria have also exploited fears that the switch to the euro will allegedly lead to more poverty and loss of national identity. *AP*

EXPRESS READ

Flash floods kill 17 in Afghanistan

KABUL: Heavy rains and snowfall ended a prolonged dry spell in Afghanistan but triggered flash floods that killed at least 17 people and injured 11, officials said. Five members of a family, including two children, died after a roof collapsed in Herat province. Most casualties occurred since Monday in flood-hit districts, with severe weather disrupting life across multiple regions. Floods damaged infrastructure, killed livestock and affected about 1,800 families. Authorities have deployed assessment teams as aid agencies warn Afghanistan will remain a major humanitarian crisis in 2026.

Indian Overseas Bank | Residency Road Branch (0268), # 133/2, Janardhan Tower, Residency Road, Richmond Circle, Bangalore-560025.

DEMAND NOTICE

DEMAND NOTICE TO BORROWERS/MORTGAGORS/ GUARANTORS UNDER SUB-SECTION (2) OF SECTION 13 OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002

To. Borrower Address 1:- Mr. G.Chalapathi, S/o Guruswamy, No.14, Old No.23/1, Muneshwara Nagar, Nadeswara Layout, Ayyappa Nagar, K.R.Puram Hobli, Basavanapura, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore-560036.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re.: Your Credit Facilities with Indian Overseas Bank, Residency Road Branch

1) You, the above named borrowers of our Bank have availed the following credit facilities from our **Residency Road Branch.** The details of the credit facilities with outstanding dues are as under:

Nature of facility	Limit Rs.	Rate of Interest +2.00% penal interest	Total Dues as on 31.12.2025 (in Rs.)
Housing loan 026803517000316	2,50,00,000.00	8.40 % plus 2.00%	2,50,41,770.45
Loan Against Property 026803517000056	28,42,000.00	10.60 % plus 2.00%	26,33,460.95
Vehicle Loan 026803517000265	85,00,000.00	8.80 % plus 2.00%	59,85,120.46
Personal Loan HNI 026803458000024	9,90,000.00	11.75 % plus 2.00%	7,58,179.76

With further interest at contractual rates/rests will become payable from the date mentioned above till date of payment. The above-named Borrower referred under Sl.No.1 have executed documents / guarantee dated **13.01.2023, 07.08.2023, 12.09.2022 and 21.10.2022** thereby guaranteed payment on demand of all moneys and discharge all obligations and liabilities then or at any time thereafter owing or incurred to Indian Overseas Bank by the borrowers for the aggregate credit limits of **Rs.3,44,18,531.62 (Rupees Three Crores Forty Four Lakhs Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred Thirty One and Sixty Two Paise Only)** together with agreed interest, charges etc. The credit facilities were secured by the assets mentioned below by way of mortgage standing in the name of the borrower No: 1. They were also secured by mortgage of property in the name of borrower / mortgagor mentioned in Sl.No: 1. They were also secured by mortgage of properties in the name of mortgagor / guarantor No 1 here in above. The guarantors mentioned under Sl.No: Nil of you have given personal guarantee for the credit facilities as given above. You have acknowledged from time to time the liabilities mentioned herein above through various documents executed by you.

2) The details of securities in favour of the Bank for the aforesaid credit facilities are:

Nature of Security: Equitable Mortgage followed by Registered memorandum of Residential house flat (Prime Security)

Particulars of Securities - Property 1:
SCHEDULE PROPERTIES (Description of entire Property)

ITEM No.1:- All that piece and parcel of the Western portion of property bearing vacant site No.2A, Katha No. 315/25/1, Old Property No.25, New Property No.25/1, situated at Basavanapura Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Old Ward No.14, K.R.Puram CMC limits, present Ward No.53, now coming under the limits of BBMP, Bangalore, Measuring East to West 28 feet, and North to South 48 feet, Measuring 1344 Square Feet, together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface, and being **bounded: East by:** Remaining Portion of Same Site No.2; **West by:** Site No.3; **North by:** Private Property; **South by:** Site No.30.

ITEM No.II: All that piece and parcel of the Eastern Portion of property bearing vacant site No.3A, Katha No. 315/25/1, Old Property No.25. New Property No.25/1, situated at Basavanapura Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Old Ward No.14. K.R.Puram CMC limits, present Ward No.53, now.coming under the limits of BBMP, Bangalore, Measuring East to west 22 feet and North to South 48 feet, Measuring 1056 Square Feet, together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface, and being **bounded: East by:** Site No.2; **West by:** Remaining Portion of Same Site No.3; **North by:** Private Property; **South by:** Site No.29 & 30.

ITEM NO.III: All that piece and parcel of the Eastern Portion of property bearing vacant site No.29A, Katha No. 315/25/1, Old Property No.25, New Property No.25/1, situated at Basavanapura Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Old Ward No.14, K.R.Puram CMC limits, present Ward No.53, now coming under the limits of BBMP, Bangalore, Measuring East to west 16 feet, 6 inches and North to South 48 feet, Measuring 792 Square Feet, together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface, and being **bounded: East by:** Site No.30; **West by:** Remaining Portion of Same Site No.29; **North by:** Site No.3; **South by:** Road.

ITEM NO.IV: All that piece and parcel of the Western Portion of property bearing vacant site No.30A, Katha No. 315/25/1, Old Property No.25, New Property No.25/1, situated at Basavanapura Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Old Ward No.14, K.R.Puram CMC limits, present Ward No.53, now coming under the limits of BBMP, Bangalore, Measuring East to West on the 33 feet 6 inches, and North to South 48 feet, Measuring 1608 Square Feet, together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface, and being **bounded: East by:** Remaining Portion of Same Site No.30; **West by:** Site No.29; **North by:** Site No.2 & 3; **South by:** Road.

COMPOSITE SCHEDULE PROPERTY:- All that piece and parcel of the property bearing vacant Site Nos.2A, 3A, 29A & 30A, Katha No. 315/25/1, Old Property No.25, New Property No.25/1 situated at Basavanapura Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Old Ward No.14, K.R.Puram CMC limits, present Ward No.53, now coming under the limits of BBMP, Bangalore, Measuring East to West 50 feet, North to South 96 feet, in all measuring about 4800 Square Feet, together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface, and being **bounded: East by:** Remaining Portion of Same Site No's.2&30; **West by:** Remaining Portion of Same Site No's.3&29; **North by:** Private Property; **South by:** Road.

Property 2: Schedule Property: All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing No.66, VP Khatha No.44/66, Abdhulu Vahab Layout, situated at Bethamangala Village, Bethamangala Hobli, Bangarapet Taluk, Measuring East to West: 30ft and North to South: 40ft and **Boundaries on: East by:** Property belongs to H Gupappa, **West by:** Remaining property, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Property belongs to Ravikumar property.

3) Consequent upon defaults committed by the above-named borrowers in payment of the principal debt/ interest as per agreed terms, your loan account mentioned above has been classified as **Non-Performing Asset on 12.12.2025** as per Reserve Bank of India guidelines and directives. Despite our reminders for regularization of our account, you have not repaid the overdue loans including interest thereon.

4) Since you the above named borrowers have failed to meet the liabilities in respect of the credit facilities duly secured by the security mentioned above and upon classification of your account as Non-Performing Asset, we hereby recall our advances to you and give you notice under Sub-Section (2) of Section 13 of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and call upon you to pay in full and discharge your liabilities to the Bank aggregating to **Rs.3,44,18,531.62 (Rupees Three Crores Forty Four Lakhs Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred Thirty One and Sixty Two Paise Only)** which includes **Rs.2,50,41,770.45 (Rupees Two Crore Fifty Lakhs Forty One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy and Forty Five Paise Only)** as detailed in para 1 above, with further interest @ (rate of interest @ 8.40 % + 2 % penal interest respectively for Housing Loan) and **Rs.26,33,460.95 (Rupees Twenty Six Lakhs Thirty Three Thousand Four Hundred Sixty and Ninety Five Paise Only)** as detailed in para 1 above, with further interest @ (rate of interest @ 10.60 % + 2 % penal interest respectively for Loan Against Property) **Rs.59,85,120.46 (Rupees Fifty Nine Lakhs Eighty Five Thousand One Hundred Twenty and Forty Six Paise Only)** as detailed in para 1 above, with further interest @ (rate of interest @ 8.80 % + 2 % penal interest respectively for Loan Against Property) Rs. 7,58,179.76 (Rupees Seven Lakhs Fifty Eight Thousand One Hundred Seventy Nine and Seventy Six Paise Only) as detailed in para 1 above, with further interest @ (rate of interest @ 11.75 % + 2 % penal interest respectively for Loan Against Property) compounded with monthly rests as agreed, from the date mentioned above, within 60 days from the date of receipt of this notice.

5) The above named guarantor under Sl.No. Nil, has given undertaking for repayment/guarantees for the credit facilities taken by the borrower under Sl No 1. The guarantor at Sl.No.Nil has mortgaged his property herein mentioned to secure the above said credit facilities. Since the borrowers have committed defaults in repayment, the guarantors/ mortgagors have become liable to pay to us in terms of the guarantee/mortgage executed, the amounts due to the Bank as per the loan/credit facilities aggregating **Rs.3,44,18,531.62 (Rupees Three Crores Forty Four Lakhs Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred Thirty One and Sixty Two Paise Only)** together with further interest as mentioned above + 2% penal interest compounded with monthly rest as agreed & charges and we hereby invoke guarantee against guarantors and enforce securities of mortgagors under the SARFAESI Act namely Mr Chalapathi S/o Guruswamy of you and call upon you to pay the said amount within sixty days from the date of receipt of this notice. Please be advised that, the guarantor's liability is co-extensive with the liability of the borrowers.

6) We further give notice to the borrower namely **Mr. Chalapathi, S/o Guruswamy mortgagors** who have given non-agri securities enforceable under the SARFAESI Act namely **Mr. Chalapathi, S/o Guruswamy** that failing payment of the above amount in full with interest and charges etc till the date of payment, we shall be exercising all or any of the rights vested on us, under sub-section (4) of section 13of the said Act.

7) Please note that in law the borrowers and guarantors are jointly and severally liable to pay the dues with further interest and charges etc.

8) Please note that interest will continue to accrue at the rates and rests as agreed for each credit facility until full repayment.

9) Your attention is also invited to Sub-Section (13) of Section 13 of the said Act in terms of which you are restrained from transferring/allenating/shifting any of the secured assets referred to above by way of sale, lease or otherwise, without obtaining our prior written consent. Please also note that non-compliance/ contravention of the provisions contained in the said Act or Rules made here under, is an offence which is punishable with imprisonment and/or fine as provided under Section 29 of the Act.

10) The guarantors referred under Sl. No. 2 has given personal guarantee to secure the loans of the said borrowers and as such we advise you to prevail upon the borrowers to repay the dues as per our demand since we have the right to initiate action against you simultaneously in accordance with law, for recovery of our dues based on your personal guarantee.

11) We also put all of you on notice that if the account is not regularized/repaid within the stipulated time and in case of the Bank classifying you as a willful defaulter as per RBI Guidelines, the Bank reserves its rights to publish your photographs in Newspaper(s) with your name, address, details of default, dues etc., in accordance with RBI Guidelines besides initiating all recourses available to the Bank for recovery.

12) We also advise you that this Demand Notice is without prejudice to and shall not be construed as waiver of any other rights or remedies which we have for recovery of the above said dues as well as our right to make further demands in respect of the sums due and payable by you.

13) Further, attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of the Section 13 of the Act, in respect of the time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorized Officer**
Date: 01-01-2026 **For Indian Overseas Bank**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify, **I, S.R. ARASEGOWDA,** (AADHAR No. 2652 1116 2446), aged about 60 years, son of S.A. Ramegowda, residing at Shivanapura Post and Village, Nandagudi Hobli, Hoskote Taluk Bengaluru District-562122 misplaced or list unregistered Will dated 04/02/2010 has been misplaced or lost the same during my house renovation.. That I have obtained the notarized copy of the same Further I lodged a police complaint on 22/12/2025 before the jurisdictional Police. Hence, finders may please return / deliver the same within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice to the under mentioned address, they will be rewarded suitably.

S.R. ARASEGOWDA
Place: Bangalore Date:01-01-2026

Public Notice

Document Lost

I , The general public are hereby notified that **RAGHUNATH J M** customer of **CANARA BANK, Chickpet Branch,** Bengaluru had availed housing loan by depositing the Original documents as mentioned infra pertaining to property bearing No. **JAY-1-09878/2016-17 dated 08-03-2017** in favour of the said Bank as security. The said Loan got closed on **01.01.2026.** Due to merger of Banks, **Covid-19** and change in the premises of the Retail Loan Centre, the Original documents deposited by **RAGHUNATH J M** is not traceable. In spite of several attempts to search the said documents, the same is not available. Finders will be suitable rewarded, if they submit the following Original documents to the below mentioned address.

Sale Deed, dated **08-03-2017** executed by **RAGHUNATH J M** in favour of CANARA BANK. This document is registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, JAYANAGAR, as No. **JAY-1-09878/2016-17 and stored in C.D. JAYD283.**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to public that my client **Govindaraju** and **Smt. Jayalakshmi** states that original Sale deed dated 04-01-2008 executed by B E Praveen Kumar and K Mohana Rajulu represented by their GPA holder M/s. Prabhavathi Builders represented by its Managing Partner B E Praveen Kumar and M/s. Prabhavathi Builders represented by its Managing Partner B E Praveen Kumar in favour of Sanjay Ramachandra Sogali and Smt. Bharani Sanjay Sogali vide document No. BGR-1-02085/2007-08 stored in CD No. BGRD8 in the office of the Sub-Registrar Begur, Bengaluru is lost during transit.

If any body get any information about the said document/in the possession of the same/having any claim/interest in the schedule property may write/contact to the undersigned within 15 days with documentary proof failing which my clients will treat the certified copy of the said document as original and objections received thereafter is not binding upon my client.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property bearing Flat No. 101, First Floor having super built-up area of 930 sqft and 278 sqft along with one covered car parking in PRABHAVATHI RESIDENCY formed in Site No. 6 & 5 formed in converted Sy. No. 374/2, Khatha No. 374/2, situated at Begur Village, Begur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk. Admeasuring 4166.5 sqft.

POORNIMA. K.S. Advocate.
2710, 6th Main, 2nd Stage, K.S. Layout, Bangalore-560 078. Mb: 9886244736.

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
32.00 ↓	Sensex	85,188.60	₹170 ↑	24 carat (10 gm)	₹135,210	₹1,000 ↓	1 kg	₹238,000	↑	Dollar	89.97
16.95 ↑	Nifty	26,146.55	₹150 ↑	22 carat (10 gm)	₹123,950	₹10 ↓	10 gm	₹2,380	↑	Euro	105.69

Gutkha, cigarettes to get dearer from Feb 1

Gutkha carries highest duty at 91%, chewing tobacco at 82%; cigarettes to attract ₹2,050 to ₹8,500 per 1,000 sticks

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

PRICES of gutkha, cigarette and other tobacco products are set to increase as the new Central Excise duty comes into force from February 1, 2026.

The Ministry of Finance has issued a series of notifications to implement a major shift in tobacco taxation, effective February 1, 2026. This new regime, established under the Central Excise (Amendment) Act, 2025, replaces the current GST compensation cess with a combination of high excise duties and a new health-focused cess.

The government also brought a notification to impose the new duty on gutkha and related products. The government has significantly revised the excise duty rates for a wide range of tobacco products to maintain high tax incidence after the compensation cess ends. Gutkha now carries the highest duty at 91%, chewing tobacco and jarda scented tobacco will attract 82% duty.

In case of cigarettes, rates vary by length and filter type, ranging from ₹2,050 to ₹8,500 per thousand sticks. Pipe and cigarette smoking mixtures attract a 279% duty. However, in order to protect the workers engaged in the sector, the government has maintained a lower duty of ₹1 per thousand on handmade bidis. These rates would be levied over and above 40% GST. Earlier, the GST on sin goods was 28%.

Meanwhile, the tobacco industry has voiced concern over such high rates of taxes.

Tobacco Institute of India (TII) in a statement said it is shocked and surprised to note the unprecedented increase in duty given the statements made by the government on more than one occasion, that the overall impact of the transition of taxes will be revenue neutral. "Such a massive increase will cause immense hardship and loss to millions of farmers, MSMEs, retailers and local value chains nurtured by the Industry, besides providing a huge fillip to illicit Industry and damaging national enterprises," it said.

The new rules also specify capacity-based duty for gutkha and smokeless tobacco. For manufacturers of chewing tobacco and gutkha, the duty is now tied directly to the speed and number of packing machines in a factory. Taxation is based on the maximum capacity of production per machine. For example, a machine producing gutkha at a speed of 500 pouches per minute with a retail price of ₹8 carries a monthly duty of ₹3.28 crores.

To curb tax evasion, the Ministry has introduced rigorous monitoring requirements.

TAX ON TOBACCO ITEMS

*Per 1,000 sticks

Cigarette cos' shares fall on excise duty hike

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

SHARES of ITC Ltd fell to the lowest level in nearly three years after the government notified the hike in excise duty on cigarettes and other products.

With the street anticipating magnitude of the tax impact to be significantly higher than the previous estimate, ITC shares fell 9.7% to end at ₹363.90 on Thursday on the BSE. In the Nifty50 index, ITC emerged as the biggest loser. This was the sharpest single-day fall for ITC since March 2020.

Shares of Godfrey Phillips India, the distributor of Marlboro in India, nose-dived 17% to ₹2,280. Market experts believe that the proposed new tax increase on cigarettes is likely to impact ITC's operating margin and volume. The current tax structure of 28% GST and ad valorem cess between 5%-36% will be replaced by a 40% GST and a rise in excise duty.

Gross GST revenue goes up by 6.1% to ₹1.74 lakh cr in Dec

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

THE total gross collection of goods and services tax (GST) in December rose by 6.1% to ₹1.74 lakh crore, despite some slow down in the growth of the revenues from domestic sales after the rate rationalisation in September. The collection stood at ₹1.64 lakh crore a year before in the same month.

As per the Ministry of Finance data released on January 1, the Central GST (CGST) accounted for ₹34,289 crore, the state GST (SGST) ₹41,368 crore, and the Integrated GST (IGST) ₹98,894 crore. Net GST (after deducting the refunds) grew by 2.2% to ₹1.45 lakh crore. Total net collection from April to December was ₹14.25 lakh crore, showing a growth of 6.8%.

"The GST Council's policies have clearly translated into higher compliance and improved cash flows across sectors. These trends indicate that even post the GST 2.0 path breaking tax rate reductions, the tax system continues to mature, demonstrating both elasticity and stability as the economy scales," said Mahesh Jaising, Partner & Indirect Tax Leader, Deloitte India.

States like Maharashtra, Haryana, Mizoram, Gujarat witnessed a double digit growth in terms of revenue collection. However, for states like Jharkhand, Odisha and Chhattisgarh the collection fell drastically.

There has been a significant boost in the refunds, as the total refunds this month went up by 30.9% to ₹28,980 crore. While the domestic gross GST collections grew just 1.2%, GST from imports surged by 19.7% denoting the surge in contribution of trade-linked taxes amid stable import demand. Import revenue touched ₹51,977 crore.

Composition of collections is equally telling with import-related IGST growth of 19.7% points to resilient supply chains and manufacturing momentum

Manoj Mishra, Grant Thornton Bharat

"The composition of collections is equally telling with import-related IGST growth of 19.7% points to resilient supply chains and manufacturing momentum, while steady domestic collections reflect stable consumption," said Manoj Mishra, Partner and Tax Controversy Management Leader, Grant Thornton Bharat.

The compensation cess, which will be there only as a transitional measure until loan and interest liabilities are paid off, has come down sharply by nearly 65% with the net cess revenue at ₹4,238 crore in this December, down from ₹12,003 crore last year. Sources from the Finance Ministry clarified ""Cess currently continues only on tobacco and pan masala. So, we can't include it in the base of last year for comparison. GST rate rationalization is an exercise independent of compensation cess. So, cess should not be included in the base for comparison purposes."

NEW GUIDELINES

MCA relaxes KYC norms for directors

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE Corporate Affairs Ministry has eased compliance requirements for company directors by replacing the mandatory annual KYC filing with an abridged requirement of once every three years under the Companies Act, 2013.

The change follows a review of Rule 12A of the Companies (Appointment & Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014, based on the recommendations of the High Level Committee on Non-Financial Regulatory Reforms and suggestions received from stakeholders, the ministry said in a release. The amended rules were notified on December 31, 2025, and will come into effect from March 31, 2026.

Under the revised framework, directors will be required to submit a simplified KYC intimation once every three years, replacing the annual KYC filing requirement.

A revised KYC form has been introduced, which can be used not only for KYC compliance but also for updating mobile numbers, email addresses and residential addresses, as well as for reactivation of the Document Identification Number (DIN).

The ministry said verification through a digital signature by DIN holder/director and certification by a professional will be mandatory only if KYC form is submitted for the updation of mobile number, email address or residential address.

This amendment is aimed at providing ease of compliance to directors in all companies.

Indian equity market lags global peers in 2025

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

Sensex gives 10% return in 2025, Nasdaq rises 26%

Sensex and Nifty gained up to 10% in calendar year 2025. On the other hand, the US' Dow Jones Industrial Average rose by 13%, Nasdaq Composite rose 26%. China's stock markets gained 22%, and the MSCI Emerging Markets index soared 30%

FACING global headwinds, including a steep tariff by the US, and record selling by foreign institutional investors (FIIs), domestic equity market severely underperformed when compared to returns delivered by global peers.

The domestic market logged its tenth consecutive year of positive returns with the benchmarks - BSE Sensex and NSE Nifty – gaining up to 10% in calendar year 2025. The Sensex surged over 9%, adding 7,080 points from its closing level of 78,139 on December 31, 2024.

The Nifty50 advanced 2,485 points, or 10.5%, during the same period, from 23,645 on the same day last year. However, when compared to returns delivered by major global markets, 10% return stands short. In 2025, the US' Dow Jones Industrial Average rose by 13%, while tech-heavy Nasdaq Composite rose 26%. China's markets staged a strong recovery, gaining 22%, and the MSCI Emerging Markets index rose 30%, well ahead of India's benchmarks. Japan's Nikkei 225 delivered a stellar return of 28% while Taiwan Stock Exchange rose 27%. Standouts included South Korea's Kospi and Spain's main index, which climbed 76% to 48%, respectively, underscoring India's relative lag.

What worried the market was rupee weakness that further diminished returns for investors. The rupee ranked as one of Asia's worst-performing currencies in 2025, cutting the Nifty's dollar-denominated gains to roughly 5.5%, half its local-currency headline figure. The Indian market, fourth largest in the world in valuation terms, faced intense geopolitical and economic headwinds. The year opened with the Iran-Israel conflict which sent global markets into panic mode.

Vodafone Idea receives ₹638 crore GST notice

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

TELECOM service provider Vodafone Idea (VIL) on Thursday said it has received a GST penalty order of nearly ₹638 crore from the Office of the Additional Commissioner, Central Goods and Services Tax, Ahmedabad.

In an exchange filing, India's third-largest telecom service provider said it disagrees with the order and will take legal action against it. The order, passed under Section 74 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017, confirms a penalty of ₹6,37,90,68,254, along with applicable demand and interest. The order, received on Wednesday, pertains to allegations of short payment of tax and excess availment of Input Tax Credit.

"The maximum financial impact is to the extent of tax demand, interest, and penalty levied. The company doesn't agree with the order and will take appropriate legal action(s) against it," Vodafone Idea said.

Meanwhile, the telco received significant relief as the government approved restructuring of the company's adjusted gross revenue (AGR) dues. The decision provides a five-year moratorium on a critical payment of approximately ₹18,000 crore, originally due by March 31, 2026. The dues for FY18 and FY19 will be payable over six years between FY26 and FY31. The Cabinet has frozen VIL's total AGR dues as of December 31, 2025, at ₹87,695 crore, rescheduled for payment over 10 years from FY32 to FY41.

Car sales hit new high at 45.5 lakh units in 2025

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

DOMESTIC passenger vehicle (PV) wholesales reached a record 45.5 lakh units in 2025, up 6% from 43.05 lakh units in 2024. This surge was fuelled by late-September GST revisions, which boosted affordability after a sluggish start to the year.

Going forward in 2026, India's largest carmaker —Maruti Suzuki India (MSIL) — expects the PV market to grow by 6–7% on the back of improving affordability, stable macro conditions and sustained consumer demand.

MSIL dispatched 18.44 lakh units in 2025, beating its previous high of 17.90 lakh units in 2024. Partho Banerjee, senior executive officer, marketing & sales, said factors such as GST reduction, income tax relief on income of up to ₹12 lakh and repo rate cuts helped auto industry's performance in 2025. "We need to split 2025 into two halves — pre-GST and the post-GST...it is a combination of these things which has really pepped up the market from the month of October onwards," added Banerjee.

Reeling from a steep sales slowdown, the GST Council slashed taxes on four and two-wheelers in September by 8-10%, triggering price cuts by automakers. For MSIL, sport utility vehicles (SUVs) now account for about 30% of PV sales, thanks to the success of two mid-size SUVs — Grand Vitara and Victoris. Banerjee stated that they have seen a strong revival in the entry-level segment and the company would continue with tactical pricing on smaller cars.

KICKING INTO HIGH GEAR

CAR SALES IN 2025
2025: **45.5** lakh units
2024: **43.5** lakh units

MSIL LEADS SALES
2025: **18.44** lakh units
2024: **17.90** lakh units

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Grand Vitara and Victoris helped Maruti to raise SUV mkt share

M&M, Tata Motors PV, Toyota Motor reported their best-ever annual wholesales

AT 214,000 UNITS, MARUTI SUZUKI'S DZIRE EMERGED AS INDIA'S BEST-SELLING CAR IN 2025

Besides MSIL, Mahindra & Mahindra, Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles (TMPV) and Toyota Kirloskar Motor reported their best-ever annual wholesales. This was achieved as demand for SUVs remained firm in 2025 and the segment's share in total PV sales went up from 53.8% in 2024 to 55.8% in 2025.

TMPV) MD and CEO Shailesh Chandra said CY25 saw steady progress for the PV industry, powered by a growing preference for SUVs and accelerating adoption of cleaner, emission-friendly powertrains. For TMPV, he said, "The momentum sparked by the rollout of GST 2.0 in Q2FY26 gained further traction in Q3, resulting in several new records...it was the fifth consecutive year of record-breaking annual sales, with 5,87,218 units sold, including the highest-ever EV volumes of 81,125 units in a calendar year."

No commercial bank will fail capital requirement tests: RBI

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

THE Reserve Bank has said none of the commercial banks will fail minimum capital requirements tests, including the severe macro stress test.

"Our macro stress test results revealed that the aggregate CRAR (capital adequacy ratio) of 46 major commercial banks may drop from 17.1% in September 2025 to 16.8% by March 2027 under the baseline scenario and may fall to 14.5% and 14.1% under the hypothetical adverse scenarios 1 and 2, respectively. However, none of the banks would fall short of the minimum CRAR requirement of 9% even under the adverse scenarios," the RBI said in its latest financial stability report (FSR).

Just two of the 46 banks may have to dip into their capital conservation buffer (CCB) under adverse scenario 1, while four banks may require dipping into the CCB under adverse scenario 2, if stakeholders do not infuse any further capital into these banks, the central bank said in the report.

Adverse scenario 1 assumes that a phased slowdown in global growth would lead to a gradual drop in domestic GDP growth and a moderate rise in domestic inflation over time, leaving the RBI no leeway to ease policy rates to alleviate the situations. Adverse scenario 2 assumes that global trade uncertainties would result in a sharp dent in the domestic growth, inflation would rise beyond 6% and the RBI would hike repo rate.

On the asset quality side, the report said the aggregate gross non-performing assets (GNPA) ratio of these 46 banks may improve from 2.1% in September 2025 to 1.9% in March 2027 under the baseline scenario as per FSR and it may rise to 3.2% and 4.2% under adverse scenarios 1 and 2, respectively.

The report said public sector banks and foreign banks led the continued improvement in asset quality and that the GNPA ratio declined to a fresh multi-decadal low of 2.1% as of September 2025, and their net NPA ratio remained at a record low of 0.5%.

"The half-yearly slippage ratio, measuring new accretions to NPAs as a share of standard advances at the beginning of the period, remained stable at 0.7 percent, though it increased marginally for private banks," the RBI said, adding write-offs ratio declined for state-run banks, while it shot up in case of private lenders in FY26.

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Reserve Bank financial stability report

Economy grows at robust pace on strong demand

DESPITE rising tide of global headwinds, Indian economy continues to expand at a robust pace, supported by strong domestic demand, record low inflation and healthy bank balance sheets, even as risks from unsecured lending, fintech exposure, external uncertainties and stablecoins persist, the Reserve Bank has said in its Financial Stability Report (FSR).

The financial system remains "robust and resilient", aided by strong balance sheets, easy financial conditions and low financial market volatility, said the report, which has cautioned that geopolitical and trade-related uncertainties pose near-term risks to financial stability. *ENS*

Pernod Ricard remains India's largest alcohol co

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

WITH consolidated sales of ₹27,445.80 crore in FY25, Pernod Ricard India has retained its position as the largest alcoholic beverage maker in the country by value, ahead of Diageo India (United Spirits Ltd).

Diegeo India's consolidated revenue from operations stood at ₹27,276 crore, while total income was at ₹27,612 crore in the financial year ended March 2025, as per its latest annual report. Pernod Ricard India's (PRI) total income was at ₹27,663.56 crore, up 2.7% in FY25, according to financial data accessed through business intelligence platform Tofler.

The total income of both the Indian subsidiaries of British multinational alcoholic beverage company Diageo and French wine and spirit seller Pernod Ricard goes to ₹55,275.6 crore. This is followed by beer maker United Breweries (UBL), which is owned by Dutch multinational brewing company Heineken. UBL's consolidated income in FY25 was at ₹19,444.44 crore. Pernod Ricard India, which owns popular brands such as Absolut, Chivas Regal, and Glenlivet, is a fully-owned subsidiary of Pernod Ricard South Asia, which is a step-down unit of the French spirit maker.

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DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13 (2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **HDFC Bank Limited** (erstwhile HDFC Limited having amalgamated with HDFC Bank Limited by virtue of a Scheme of Amalgamation approved by Hon'ble NCLT-Mumbai vide order dated 17th March 2023) **(HDFC)** under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued Demand Notices under Section 13 (2) of the said Act, calling upon the Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) listed hereunder, to pay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice/s, within 60 days from the date of the respective Notice/s, as per details given below. The undersigned have, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known respective addresses of the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s). Copies of the said Notices are available with the undersigned, and the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s), may, if they so desire, collect the respective copy from the undersigned on any working day during normal office hours.

In connection with the above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) to pay to **HDFC,** within 60 days from the date of publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated herein below in their respective names, together with further interest as detailed in the said Demand Notices from the respective dates mentioned below in column (c) till the date of payment and / or realization, read with the loan agreement and other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following Secured Asset(s) have been mortgaged to **HDFC** by the said Borrower (s) respectively.

Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) attention is invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset/s.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative (s)	Total Outstanding Dues	Date of Demand Notice	Description of Secured Asset in respect of which Security Interest has been created
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(f)
1	**Mrs. Simjo Bharathi (Borrower) Wool Spuns Limited, Designation:** Merchandising Manage, **Department:** Merchandising, **Employee No:** 14, 2, No 117 Industrial Suburb, 5th Main, Bengaluru-560022. **Also at:** No D/0/03, Platinum City, No 2 HMT Main Road, Yeswanthpur, Bengaluru-560022. **Also at:** Plot-592, S. No.49, 50,51,55/1,2,3,56,57, Lakshmipura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli, Bengaluru Rural 562110.	**Loan A/c No. 619079773 Rs.12,62,336/- [Rupees Twelve Lakhs Sixty Two Thousand Three Hundred and Thirty Six Only] as on 31.10.2025**	**22.12.2025 ..... N.P.A. Date: (e) 06.05.2025**	All that piece and parcel of the vacant Residential **Site No.592** and bearing Vishwanathapura Grama Panchayath Khata No. 70/592 and bearing E-Katha No. 150300201601200584, formed in Sy. Nos. 49, 50, 51, 55/1, 55/2, 55/3, 56, and 57 of Lakshmipura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, measuring East by 9.14 Meters, West by 9.14 Meters, North by 12.19 meters, South by 12.19 meters, totally measuring 111.42 Square Meters (1200 in square feet) situated at "Park Lane Layout", Lakshmipura Village. Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, formed as per the layout plan sanctioned by the Bangalore International Airport Area Planning Authority (BIAAPA) vide No. BIAAPA/TP2/LAO/455/2013-14 dated 30.01.2014 which is bounded on: **East by** : Site No. 575, **West by** : 9m Road, **North by** : Site No 591, **South by** : Site No 593. And any construction thereon present and future.
2	**1. Mrs. Bodapati Poornima Wife of Mr.** Subramanyam Parameswaran **(Borrower) [since deceased]** Legal Heir(s), Legal Representative(s), Successors and Assigns of Mr. Subramanyam Parameswaran (Borrower)[since deceased] **2. Mrs. S Kamala Mother of Mr. Subramanyam Parameswaran (Borrower) [since deceased]** Legal Heir(s), Legal Representative(s), Successors and Assigns of Mr. Subramanyam Parameswaran (Borrower)[since deceased] **3. And other known and unknown Legal Heir(s) of Mr. Subramanyam Parameswaran (Borrower) [since deceased]** Legal Heir(s), Legal Representative(s), Successors and Assigns of Mr. Subramanyam Parameswaran **All are residing at:** 23, 268, 5411, GALALI **Also at:** 6/901/B1, Near Red Tank, Masthanpet, Guntakal, Ananthapuramu, Andhra Pradesh 515801. **Also at:** Flat-Bu-002-B-Block, Ground Floor, Ultimate Signature, S No 98/2 & 99/2, Harohalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru 560063.	**Loan A/c Nos. 655785960 Rs.55,67,814/- [Rupees Fifty Five Lakh Sixty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred and Fourteen Only] as on 30.11.2025**	**22.12.2025 ..... N.P.A. Date: (e) 06.05.2023**	**SCHEDULE -A: Item No.1:** All that piece & parcel of the Residentially Converted Land bearing Sy.No.98. Re-Survey No.98/2, measuring 6 guntas (i.e., approximately 6,534 square feet). (duly converted as per Modified Official Memorandum No.ALN.(NAY)274/2005-06. dated 28.06.2008 issued by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District), situated at Harohalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, and bounded on **East by**: Land in Sy.No.98 belonging to Umesh Rajanna, **West by**: Land in Sy.No. 98 belonging to R. Nagarajanna, **North by** : Kodi Halla, **South by:**Survey No.99. **Item No.2:** All that piece & parcel of the Residentially Converted Land bearing Sy. No.99, Re-survey No.99/2, measuring 28 ½ guntas (i.e., approximately 31.036 square feet), (duly converted as per Modified Official Memorandum No.ALN. (NAY)274/2005-06, dated 28.06.2008 issued by Special Deputy Commissioner. Bangalore District), situated at Harohalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, and bounded on **East by:** Land in Sy. No.99 belonging to N.C.Rajanna & Umesh, **West by**: Land in Sy No.111/4 belonging to R.Nagarajanna, **North by**: Survey No.98, **South by :** ISRO Layout, now Road. **COMPOSITE SCHEDULE:** All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Property being item No.1 and 2 of the Schedule "A" Property, presently bearing BBMP Khatha No.13/98/2 & 99/2, situated at Harohalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560 064, now within BBMP limits, measuring 34 ½ guntas i.e.. approximately 37,570 square feet and bounded on: **East by**: Land belonging to N.C.Rajanna & Umesh, **West by**: Land belonging to R.Nagarajanna, **North by**: Kodi Halla, **South by :** ISRO Layout, now Road. **SCHEDULE B: 541 square feet** of Undivided share, right, title, interest and ownership in the land of the Schedule "A" Property. **SCHEDULE C:** All that Residential Apartment bearing **No. BU-002** in Ground Floor of Block - "B" of the building known as **"ULTIMATE SIGNATURE"** built on the Schedule A' Property and apartment measuring **1405 Square Feet** of Super Built-up Area (of which 1003 square feet of Carpet Area) consisting of Three Bedrooms, One Hall and Kitchen and inclusive of proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use and also exclusive usage of **One Covered Car Parking Space at Basement Floor.** **Details of Construction:** The nature of construction is **RCC Roofing;** Walls are built out of bricks and cement walls with Vitrified Tiles Flooring. It is provided with amenities like electricity, water and sanitary connections. The main door is Teakwood frame and all other doors of Sal wood frame with OST shutters and 3 Track aluminum windows.
3	**1. Mrs. Nischala P Gowda,** Wife of Mr. V Shanth Kumar, (Borrower) [since deceased] **2. Mrs. Padma V,** Mother of Mr. V Shanth Kumar, (Borrower) [since deceased]. **3. And other known and unknown Legal Heir(s)** of Mr. V Shanth Kumar (Borrower) [since deceased]. **4. Mrs. Nischala P Gowda (Co-Borrower) All are residing at:** Legal Heir(s), Legal Representative(s), Successors and Assigns of Mr. V Shanth Kumar (Borrower)[since deceased] # 365, 3rd Floor, Nagondanahalli Colony, S J P Layout, White Field, Bengaluru 560066. **Also at:** # 20/30, Sri Lakhsmi Venkateshwara Nilaya, Nagondanahalli, White Field, Near SGP Layout 3rd Cross, Bengaluru 560066.	**Loan A/c Nos. 1) 677320242 Rs.23,34,881/- 2) 680049753 Rs. 76,636/- Total Amount Rs.24,11,517/- [Rupees Twenty Four Lakh Eleven Thousand Five Hundred and Seventeen Only] as on 30.11.2025**	**23.12.2025 ..... N.P.A. Date: (e) 05.03.2025**	All that piece and parcel of an Immovable residential property bearing Site No.30. BBMP Sl.No/Khatha No.20. old Khatha No.20/30, property No. 130, Situated at Nagondanahalli Village, Krishnarajapuram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, now comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP, measuring East to West 30 ft and North to South 40 ft. Extent: 1200 Sq. ft. **Boundaries: East by** : House belongs to Smt. Jayamma, **West by:** House belongs to Sri. Varadaraju, **North by** : Road, **South by** : Vacant Site. And any construction thereon present and future.
4	**Mr. Padamatinti Chinnaramana (Borrower) Quest Software P Ltd, Designation:** Lead Engineer, **Department:** Data Anlytics, **Employee No:** 1042278, 10, Block 7b Quest Global, Marathahalli – Sarjapur, Outer Ring Road, Bengaluru 560103. **Also at:** No 302 3rd Cross, Space Garden, Doddanekkundi, Bengaluru Urban 560037. **Also at:** 0/0, Kothapalle, Cuddapah 516380. **Also at:** Unit-69, Lake Shore, S No 158 And 159 P, Bommenahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore-560049.	**Loan A/c Nos. 1) 702757033 Rs.44,21,979/- 2) 693414979 Rs.67,071/- Total Amount Rs.44,89,050/- [Rupees Forty Four Lakh Eighty Nine Thousand Fifty Only] as on 30.11.2025**	**23.12.2025 ..... N.P.A. Date: (e) 06.05.2025**	**Schedule A: Item No.1:** All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Survey **No. 158** (portion of Old Survey No. 96) measuring 2 acres, Converted from Agricultural to Non-Agricultural Residential purpose vide Order bearing No. ALN(EBK)SR/58/2015-16 dated 10-1-2020 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Urban District, situated at Bommenahalli Village, BidarahalliHobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore Urban District (Previously Hoskote Taluk) and bounded on the: **East by :** Land bearing Survey No. 96, **West by :** Land bearing Survey No. 120, **North by :** Land bearing Survey No. 129, **South by :** Land bearing Survey No. 159 **Item No.2:** All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Survey **No. 159** (portion of Old Survey No. 96) measuring 1 acre 37 ¾ guntas, Converted from Agricultural to Non-Agricultural Residential purpose vide Order bearing No. ALN SR/42/2015-16 dated 4-11-2019 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Urban District, situated at Bommenahalli Village, BidarahalliHobli, Bangalore East Taluk (Previously Hoskote Taluk) Bangalore Urban District and bounded on the: **East by :** Land bearing Survey No. 96, **West by :** Land bearing Survey No. 120 & 160 and Road, **North by :** Land bearing Survey No. 158, **South by :** Remaining portion of Survey No. 159. **Schedule A: (Description of Item No 1 & 2):** All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Survey **No. 158** (Old Survey No. 96) measuring 2 acres, converted from Agricultural to Non-Agricultural Residential purpose vide Order bearing No. ALN(EBK)SR/58/2015-16 dated 10-1-2020 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Urban District and Property bearing Survey No. 159 (Old Survey No. 96) measuring 1 acre 37 ¾ guntas, Converted from Agricultural to Non-Agricultural Residential purpose vide Order bearing No. ALN SR/42/2015-16 dated 4-11-2019 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Urban District, totally measuring 3 acres 37 ¾ guntas, both being adjacent to each other and situated at Bommenahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk (Previously Hoskote Taluk), Bangalore Urban District and commonly bounded on the: **East by :** Land bearing Survey No. 96, **West by :** Land bearing Survey No. 120, 160 and Road, **North by :** Land bearing Survey No. 129, **South by :** Remaining portion of Survey No. 159. **Schedule B:** All that piece and parcel of the Vacant Residential Site bearing **No.69**, measuring East to West 12.19 meters and North to South 9.14 meters, totally measuring 111.42 5q.m (app.1200 sq.feet) formed in the Schedule 'A' Property in the Layout known as **"LAKESHORE"** with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface, PID No.150200401601628003 assigned by the Mandur Grama Panchayath and bounded on the: **East by** : 9 meters Wide Road, **West by** : Sy. No.120, **North by :** Site No.70, **South by** : Site No.68.
5	**1) Mrs. Manjula Chandrashekar Bhairi (Borrower), 2) Mr. Chandrashekar Bhairi (Co-Borrower) Both are residing at:** No K-201,2nd Floor, Block-K, Nagarjuna Meadows Ph 2, S No 81,82/3, Puttenahalli, Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru 560064. **Also at:** No 10, Amarajyothi Nagar, Chola Nagar, Gangenahalli Extn, Bengaluru 560032. **Mr. Chandrashekar Bhairi (Co-Borrower) New Holland Fiat India Private Limited, Designation:** Sr Manager **Department:** Sales & Marketing **Employee No:** 61717, 10, # 50 1st Floor, Vinay Arcade, K H Road Opp BMTC Terminus, Wilson Garden, Bengaluru 560027.	**Loan A/c Nos. 606140324 Rs.22,58,593/- [Rupees Twenty Two Lakh Fifty Eight Thousand Five Hundred and Ninety Three Only] as on 30.11.2025**	**23.12.2025 ..... N.P.A. Date: (e) 03.06.2025**	**Schedule A: Item No.1:** All that piece and parcel of residentially converted land being a portion of Sy.No.81, measuring 01 Acre, situated at Puttenahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangplore North Taluk, Bangalore and bounded as follows: **East by** : Bangalore - Doddaballapur Road, **West by :** Remaining portion of Sy.No.81 belonging to K.V. Jayamma, **North by** : Remaining portion of Sy.No.81 belonging to NCCL, **South by** : Sy.No.80. **Item No.2 :** All that piece and parcel of residentially converted land being a portion of Sy.No.81, measuring 38 Guntas, situated at Puttenahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore and bounded as follows: **East by :** Remaining portion of Sy.No.81 belonging to K.V.Venugopal, **West by :** Ananthapura Village Boundary, **North by :** Remaining portion of Sy.No.81 belonging to NCCL, **South by :** Sy.No.80. **Item No.3:** All that piece and parcel of residentially converted land being a portion Sy.No.81, measuring 01 Acre 32 Guntas, situated at Puttenahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore and bounded as follows: **East by :** Bangalore-Doddaballapur Road, **West by :** Ananthapura Village Boundary, **North by :** Remaining portion of Sy.No.81 belonging to NCCL, **South by :** Remaining portion of Sy.No.81 belonging to K. V. Venugopal. **Item No.4:** All that piece and parcel of residentially converted land being a portion Sy.No.81, measuring 01 Acre 22 Guntas, situated at Puttenahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore and bounded as follows: **East by :** Bangalore-Doddaballapur Road, **West by :** Ananthapura Village Boundary, **North by :** Land in Sy.No.82 belonging to NCCL, **South by :** Remaining portion of Sy.No.81 belonging to K.V.Venugopal. **Item No.5:** All that piece and parcel of residentially converted land being a portion of Sy.No.82, measuring 21 Guntas, situated at Puttenahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore and bounded as follows: **East by :** Bangalore-Doddaballapur Road, **West by :** Ananthapura Village Boundary, **North by :** Remaining portion of Sy.No.82 belonging to Smt.P.M.Leela, **South by :** Land in Sy.No.81 belonging to NCCL. **Schedule B:** The Property conveyed under this Deed is 311.74 Sq.ft of undivided right and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property mentioned above. **Schedule C:** The Apartment bearing **No. 201** on the Second Floor of Block-K in the Project known as **'NAGARJUNA MEADOWS-II'** constructed on the Schedule 'A' Property, measuring Super built up area of **1199 Sq.ft** consisting of Two Bedrooms, a kitchen, inclusive of proportionate share of common areas along with **One Car parking space.** The Apartment comprises of R.C.C. Structure with Vitrified/Ceramic Tiles flooring and is bounded on: **East by :** Flat No.K-202, **West by :** Flat No.J-202, **North by :** Driveway, **South by :** Flat No. K-204.

*with further interest cost, expenses, and charges as applicable incurred till the date of payment and / or realization. If the said Borrower (s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) fail to make payment to **HDFC Bank Limited** as aforesaid, then **HDFC Bank Limited** shall proceed against the above Secured Asset / Immovable Property under Section 13 (4) of the said Act and the applicable Rules entirely at the risk of the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) as to the costs and consequences.

The said Borrower (s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) are prohibited under the said Act to transfer the aforesaid Secured Asset / Immovable Property, whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise without the prior written consent of **HDFC Bank Limited**. Any person who contravenes or abets contravention of the provisions of the Act or Rules made thereunder shall be liable for imprisonment and/or penalty as provided under the Act.

Date : 02.01.2026
Place: Bengaluru

For HDFC Bank Ltd.
Sd/- Authorized Officer of HDFC Bank Ltd. under SARFAESI Act, 2002

Postpone TENDER NOTIFICATION Date :- 30.12.2026

(Through e-Procurement portal only)

(Two Cover System: Section-1-Technical Bid and Section-2-Financial Bid)

Tender Notification No 25/2025-26 Dated: 26.12.2025

Item rate tenders are invited through e-procurement portal only on behalf of Governer of Karnataka from Eligible registered civil Contractor in KPWD in Standard Bid document **KW-4,** form The Total no of works is 10, **H/A :- 4059-80-051-0-60-132 CM Infrastructure Development Projects - Capital Expenditures Work** minimum estimate cost Rs, 150.00 lakhs & maximum estimated cost is Rs, 200.00 lakhs, **Postpone** in this Notification will be Published in E-Procurement Only. Date of events as follows:

- Date and Time for downloading the tender document from the e-procurement portal
  From 29.12.2025 to 08.01.2026 upto 16.00 Hrs. **Postpone** Date 29.12.2025 to 13.01.2026 Up to 16.00 Hrs.
- Pre-Bid Meeting Date From 02.01.2026.
  Date & Time for downloading of Last Date:-08.01.2026 **Postpone** Date 13.01.2026 Up to 16.00 Hrs.
- Date & Time for opening of Technical bid Date: 09.01.2026 **Postpone** Date: 14.01.2026 upto 16.30 Hrs.
- Date & Time for opening of Financial bid Date: 12.01.2026 **Postpone** Date: 16.01.2026 upto 16.00 Hrs.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
PWD Division,
Chamarajanagar

NO: DIPR:CHANAGAR:605:2025-26

Government of Karnataka

MINOR IRRIGATION AND GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Office of the Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation & Ground Water Development Division, Jayanagar Shopping Complex, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011

No. EE/MI & GWD/BNG/AE-5/24/2025-26 **Datd : 01.01.2026**

Tender Notification

On the behalf of the Hon'ble of State of Karnataka, as per K.T.P.P. with latest amendments, Item wise tenders are invited for the works mentioned under H/A : 4702 A&P and MOT from the eligible contractors of suitable category registered under KPWD. For further details, visit website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Name of the work: Construction of Checkdam Cum LLC across halla near Bidalapura, Huralagurki, Yambrahalli, Bommavara, Hadonahalli and Koramangala villages in Devanahalli Vidhanasabha Constituency, Construction of Checkdam across halla near Lakkasandra, Kallukote, Mukkadighatta, Melinanayakanadarahalli, Machagondanahalli villages in Devanahalli Vidhanasabha Constituency, Bengaluru Rural District, Improvements of Karahalli Tank, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, Construction of Checkdam Cum Pathway In Thenganayakanahalli Village Kanakapura Taluk Bengaluru South District. Construction of check dam to Tippasandra tank draft canal at Survey number 1 of Bhaginagere kaval village, Tippasandra panchayati, Tippasandra hobli, Magadi taluk, Ramanagara District.

Amount Put to Tender (Rs in Lakhs) : Minimum: **Rs.101.26** Maximum: **Rs.240.59** EMD: Minimum: **Rs.20,000.00** Maximum: **Rs.3,60,900.00**

Period of Completion: 04 to 11 Months including Monsoon,

(Tender Amount, EMD Amount and Period Completion as per the works noted in KPPP Portal)

(1) Tender will be published through kppp portal on Dated: **01.01.2026 at 16.00 Hours, (2)** Last date of queries: **16.01.2026 at 15.00 Hours, (3)** Pre Bid Meeting Date & Time: **09.01.2026 at 11.30 Hours, (4)** Last Date for Receipt of Tenders on Dated: **16.01.2026 at 16.30 pm Hours, (5)** Technical Bid will be opened on Dated: **19.01.2026 at 11.30 am Hours, (6)** Financial Bid will be opened on Dated: **After approval of Technical bid.**

Conditions: 1) Terms and conditions and other details may be obtained through kppp portal at the website address **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in 2)** Tenderers are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in clause KW-4 of ITT in Standard Tender document. **3)** Bidder should quote the rates Excluding GST. **4)** Rights are reserved for postponement or cancellation of any or all Tenders.

DIPR/CP/4782/SSC/2025-2026

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
M.I. & G.W.D. Division

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Office of the Executive Engineer, No.1, Building Division, SJP Campus, Bengaluru, Phone: 080-22255210

No. EE/Bld.1/AE-3/AE-LH/2025-26/65 Date: 30.12.2025

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)

The above Department invites Tenders through e-procurement portal of GoK **(http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)** from eligible Tenderers **for providing Road Furniture, construction of Drainage, Painting, providing rain water harvesting pipes, core cutting, providing plants, renovation of toilet, providing floor mat, polishing, repairs to bathrooms and wardrobes, Vinyl flooring, repairs to aluminium partition, providing PUF sheets, fabrication works, maintenance of computers, printers, UPS's, cartridges, purchase of toners, copier/scanner machine, Intenet, LAN works and other development works, total of 23 works at various notified places in Bengaluru.** Approx. value of work: **Min. Rs. 2.82 lakhs, Max. Rs. 17.83 lakhs.** EMD: **Min. Rs. 5,100/-, Max. Rs. 44,600/-.** Cost of Document: **As in e-portal.** Period of Completion: **from 2 Months to 10 Months for each work.** Last date for downloading Tender through e-procurement portal and submission through online: **07.01.2026 up to 5.00 PM.** Date of opening the Tender: **as per e-procurement guidelines.** Further information and other details can be obtained from the above office or from e-procurement portal h**ttp://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer
DIPR/DD-C.P/4770/KSMCA/2025-26

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No: EEE/AO/AAO/SA/2025-26/12928-30 Date:24.12.2025

NOTIFICATION

Notice is hereby given that Sri. Sadashivamurthy T.V, S/o Veerabhadrappa, Jr. Engineer, KPTCL, Mysuru, R/a House No. 51, 1st Main Road, Mahadeshwaranagar, Arohalli, Sunkadakatte, Bengaluru-560091 and Sadashiva Murthy T.V. s/o Veerabhadrappa Rtd. School Master, Terakanambi Village, Gundlupete Taluk, Chamaranagara Dist. was working as Jr. Engineer(E) at 66/11 KV H.D. Kote Sub Station, H.D. Kote Taluk, Mysuru Dist. He has submitted an application to the Executive Engineer (Operations) Hootagalli Division, KPTCL for voluntary retirement on 29.11.2023 and the same was received by KPTCL on 05.12.2023. After receiving the said application, KPTCL has accepted his voluntary retirement request and has immediately started processing for settlement of retirement and other benefits of the said Sri. Sadashivamurthy T.V But, he has not submitted nominee name and other particulars for pension settlement required B.E.S.R under rules . When he has not submitted the same, the Executive Engineer(E), KPTCL, Hootagalli, Mysuru has issued notices to the said Sri. Sadashivamurthy T.V on 31.01.2024, 24.07.2024, 25.07.2024, 13.08.2024, 25.10.2024, 07.03.2025 and 24.04.2025 calling upon him to submit the documents of the nominees for the purpose of sanction of family pension but he has not submitted any documents to the above said authority.

Therefore, through this public notice Sri. Sadashivamurthy T.V is hereby once again notified to submit documents of the nominees for the purpose of sanction of family pension and other benefits to the aforesaid authority within 7(Seven) days from the date of this publication, along with documents.

In the event of failure to do so the said authority shall proceed further without any reference to such purported claim or interest, which shall be deemed to have been waived for all intents and purposes. The authority is not responsible for further complications if any in respect of settlement of voluntary retirement benefit.

Sd/- Executive Engineer(Ele), (Operations), KPTCL,
Hootagalli Division, FTS Compound,
N.R. Mohalla, Mysuru-570007.

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अ.क्र.	खात्याचे नाव	निविदा क्रमांक	कामाचे नाव
१.	घनकचरा व्यवस्थापन कार्यालय	PMC/SWM/2025-26/47	"Selection of contractor(s) for provision and operation of Primary transportation vehicles (Small Bell truck, Refuse Collector, Compactor as per specifications for Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) for a period of Five Years for Pune Five Zones

१) वरील टेंडरची विक्री व स्विकृती www.mahatenders.gov.in या संकेतस्थळावरून फक्त ऑनलाईन चालू आहे.
२) वरील बदला व्यतिरिक्त बाकी सर्व मजकूर पूर्वी प्रसिद्ध केल्याप्रमाणे राहील.

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Sl. No.	File No / Branch / Borrower(s) & Guarantor(s)	Description of the Immovable Property Mortgaged	Date of Demand Notice / Outstanding Amount as per Notice
1.	**KA0670600000638 / Electronic City / Mr. B.K. Sandeep S/o. Kamaraj Narasappa & Mrs. A.Danyatha D/o. Anantharamaiah A**	The Property Eastern portion bearing Site No.125/57 Situated at Halagevaderahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Now BBMP Katha No. 281, BST Measuring E-W=50 Feet & N-S-50 Feet in All Measuring 2500 Sq.Feet, Now comes under the limits of BBMP, Rajarajeswari Nagara Sub-Zone, Bangalore and bounded on the : **East By :** Land belonging to Sri Krishnappa, **West By :** Western portion of same property bearing No.57, **North By :** Land belonging to Subbarayappa, **South by :** Road.	**04.11.2025 & Rs. 49,87,488/-**
2.	**KA0020110004052 / Bangalore / Mr. S. Gopalasetty S/o. S. Shamanna**	The Property 463, Situated at Kadugodi Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, and Measuring East to West 33 Feet and North to South 20 feet Totally measuring 660 Sq., feet along with the building to be constructed Ground Floor, First Floor, Second Floor totally 5 House RCC Roofed House and bounded on the, **East By :** House of Sri. Kempaiah; **West By :** Road, **North By :** House of Sri. Hemanna, **South by :** House of Sri. Paraashivaiah.	**21.11.2025 & Rs. 21,62,326/-**
3.	**KA0020110001434 / Bangalore / Mr. Balachandar Swaminathen S/o. Swaminathen Nagarajan**	The Property Sy.No. 4/4, Old No.4, Site No. 08, Royal Inn Layout, Situated at Maragondanahalli Village, Bidrahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 43.3 Feet, in All Measuring 1300 Sq.ft., bounded on the : **East by :** Site No. 07, **West By :** Site No.09, **North by :** Remaining Portion of same Sy. No. 4/4, **South by :** 30 Feet Road.	**10.12.2025 & Rs. 12,28,798/-**

Date : 02-01-2026
Place : Bangalore

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Chess great Kramnik sues FIDE for defamation

Russian chess great Vladimir Kramnik has sued world chess governing body FIDE for defamation in a Swiss civil court after he became the subject of an inquiry for allegedly harassing players with "unsubstantiated" cheating claims following the death of American GM Daniel Naroditsky. Kramnik posted on 'X' that he has been forced to take the legal route.

IT'S A BIG YEAR & WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO IT

Priority is to keep body fit by training even during tournaments, says the badminton star as he gears up for an action-packed calendar

CHIRAG SHETTY

BY INVITATION

WE are welcoming this year with great hope and aspiration. Though last year was decent but cannot call it the best. Yet, overall, it was a pretty consistent year with eight semifinals, two final medals — at the World Championships and World Tour Finals. And ending the year at World No 3 was good. When I look back, it was quite a tough year for both of us on and off the court with Satwik (Satwiksairaj Rankireddy) losing his father and I had to go through an injury and was sidelined for almost two months. To get back from those setbacks, ranked 27 at that point in June, to finish the year in the top three by the end of October can be considered a pretty good year.

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One thing we have learnt is to keep fighting back no matter what the circumstances are. You have to show up every day on court and that's what we did. We kept showing up each day no matter how bad or good the previous day was. As for 2026, it is quite an important year for badminton as we have the Asian Games. At the Commonwealth Games, badminton is not part of the roster. It's a big year for us and we are really looking forward to it. There are plenty of tournaments as well and some of them are equally important that take place in a badminton calendar. We will take it just like any other year and try to prepare as well as possible for the big events and try to medal and hopefully win them. To add to that, India would be hosting the next Commonwealth Games and hosting again is really big for the country. It will be huge for the sporting ecosystem in India. I hope we are able to organise it on a grand and large scale. Hosting a successful event would also ensure more athletes getting attracted to sport and get nurtured for future Games. Like I said, the sporting ecosystem, as a whole, will get a huge boost after we hold such major events.

Badminton is always a gruelling season. So the priority is to keep fit by training even during tournaments, because if you stop training, it can get quite hectic and your body will not be able to support those many weeks on the tour. Having an off season is quite important too because as athletes, you are too strained to perform. It takes a toll on your physical and mental well-being. I think as badminton players, we don't really have an off season.

Best moment in 2025

The best moment last year would definitely be winning the bronze medal at the World Championships and beating Malaysia's Aaron Chia and Soh Wooi Yik in the same tournament. That win was important because exactly a year after we lost to them at the Olympics at the same stage and a year later, at the World Championships in the same arena in the same court, we had the opportunity to redeem ourselves. I think that was very fulfilling for us. At the same time, the most difficult loss would be in the semifinals of the same event. When you are on the tour, it is difficult to maintain a work-life balance. But it is equally important. What we try to do is after our training sessions, we usually try to switch off and not really think too much about badminton because you get drained a lot while training. So I personally avoid thinking about badminton as much as possible and try to distract myself by watching something I like or listening to music or going to a restaurant. Having some really good food with friends and family also helps.

What seems heartening is to see the next gen performing at the world stage. They have been performing quite well. At the recent World Junior Championships, the team came back with a bronze medal while Tanvi Sharma won silver (individual). Only last week, we had two girls, who are just 14 and 17, playing the women's singles finals at the national championships. It's definitely good for the game for its continuity's sake. They just need good guidance and I think in a couple of years you might find them in the top 10-20 in the world.

This year will be good for Indian badminton and I am sure of that. Like I said it is an important year for India and its Olympic sports because of the two major events — Asian and Commonwealth Games. The truncated Commonwealth Games is much smaller this year but the entire Indian contingent will be there at the Asian Games. It will definitely be an important year and I am sure the Indian team will go all guns blazing to shine and come back with more medals. **(As told to this daily)**

Chirag Shetty, along with doubles partner Satwiksairaj Reddy, is one of the elite-level shuttlers in the country. The Indian pair will be defending their crown in upcoming Asian Games.

Promise for a better future

They are young but full of potential as they have demonstrated in their limited exposure to competitive events. With veterans either retired or at the fag end of their careers, these youngsters are India's hopes in the coming years. Going by their recent performances at national and international level competitions and media attention they have garnered, *Firoz Mirza* looks at a few future prospects from select sports

Yogita Mandavi

Orphaned at 4, judoka from naxalite-infested region shines

LIFE was anyway not easy for the Mandavi household but destiny wreaked havoc as Mayaram and Sukhmati passed away within months of each other rendering their three children orphans in 2015. Hailing from Gond community (a prominent tribal community in Chhattisgarh), Mayaram was a driver and met with an unfortunate accident while repairing his tractor. Sukhmati died of snakebite a few months later as four-year-old Yogita and her elder brother were shifted to an ashram, a residential school for tribal and marginalised students. Grandparents took the responsibility of the youngest brother, who was only one-and-a-half-year-old.

A few years later, Covid pandemic brought the entire world to a standstill and students from these ashrams were left with no option than returning to their respective homes. Yogita, however, had no place to go and found shelter at Balika Grih, a state government funded child care institution being run with the help of an NGO, Bal Kalyan Parishad in Kondagaon, once a worst naxalite-affected region in the state.

"Yogita was around 10 when she came here," Mani Sharma, superintendent of the Bal Grah Kondagaon, told this daily. The institute offers sports training to children apart from imparting education and Yogita first started playing table tennis but judo was her calling. "She played TT state level tournaments but was more interested in judo. Once she started pursuing it seriously, there was no stopping as she started winning medals at the national level. Soon she appeared in selection trials for the SAI's judo National Centre of Excellence in Bhopal and was selected in 2024," added Sharma.

Yogita went on to win a silver medal at the 4th Khelo India Women's League National in Kerala in 2024-25 and bronze medal at the Sub-junior National Judo Championship in Hyderabad this year. Given her extraordinary journey that saw her battling odds and personal losses, Yogita was chosen for the prestigious Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar — 2025. President Droupadi Murmu conferred her the award in a glittering ceremony on Friday. She along with other awardees also had an interaction with Prime Minister Narendra Modi after the ceremonial function. Growing up in a naxalite-infested village to losing parents at the age of four to the recipient of the national award, Yogita's life is an inspiration for all and sundry. But this is just the beginning as coaches say the 14-year-old can be a judoka to look out for in future.

Wrestlers Priya, Chirag ready to fill the void left by veterans

SINCE the 2008 Beijing Olympics, Indian wrestlers have always won at least a medal at the quadrennial event. The protest by leading wrestlers ahead of the Paris Games affected the build up to the tournament to some extent but Aman Sehrawat bagged a bronze medal in the 57kg weight category to keep the record intact. Still 22, Aman along with talented Antim Panghal can be India's torchbearers in wrestling come the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics but the recent exploits of the budding grapplers in age-group international tournaments point towards a better future.

One among such talented wrestlers is Chirag. He might have finished with a bronze medal at the recently-concluded senior national championships but his exploits at the age-group international tournaments suggest he has the potential to fill up the void left by his more famed compatriots like Bajrang Punia, the Tokyo Olympic bronze medallist and multiple World Championship medallist.

Around eight years ago, Chirag was enrolled in a wrestling academy as his uncle felt he was gaining weight. His father Dinesh Chhikara works as an electrician in a sugar mill. The sport demands money and it was difficult for Dinesh to fulfill the needs alone. Everyone in the family including uncle Virender chipped in but the biggest contribution came from grandfather Dayanand, a retired school teacher. It all bore fruits when Chirag clinched the gold medal at the U23 World Championships in Tirana, Albania last year.

Priya Malik too boasts a rich haul of international medals ever since she announced herself on the biggest stage four years ago. Since that gold in the cadet World Championships, the Nidani wrestler has won World Championship gold medals in the U17, 20 and 23 age-groups in the 76kg weight category.

Her grandfather Pirthi Singh wanted Priya, who is 20 now, to become a wrestler but she gave the sport a serious thought only after watching talented Anshu Malik from serious quarters. Priya's father, Jaibhagwan and her uncle Rakesh were also wrestlers. "I used to watch wrestlers going for their usual drills at the Nidani Sports School. Then I saw Anshu and how she trains at the school. The way she used to go about her wrestling made me decide to pursue the sport professionally," she had told this daily.

Priya Malik

Yash Khandagale

From saloon to golden glory: Lifter Yash shows potential

RETURN of India's star weightlifter Mirabai Chanu, a former world champion and Tokyo Olympic silver medallist, to international competition after a long injury layoff stole the limelight during the Commonwealth Championships held at Ahmedabad in August this year. Eyes are bound to be on the Manipuri lifter every time she takes the platform as she has been headlining India's challenge in the reputed tournaments across the globe for years. The tournament, however, unearthed bright talents as well, who can potentially carry forward Mirabai's legacy. Yash Khandagale is one of them.

Born into a family that has been running a hair-cutting saloon for generations, Yash not only forayed into weightlifting but finished with a gold medal, his first in the second international outing, in the Commonwealth Championships. It was his father Vinod, who wanted Yash to pursue sport and got him admitted at a local weightlifting academy in Sangli, Maharashtra. Vinod was into bodybuilding in his youth but had to give it up due to financial constraints.

Yet, he made sure Yash got all the facilities even if it meant other family members had to make a few sacrifices. It was not easy as at times he struggled to make dietary arrangements for his son but the family, with some help from coach Mayur Sinhasane, managed to sail through the storm.

Yash, meanwhile, knows the sacrifices his family has been making for him and at times helps his father at the saloon. "It's been our profession since generations so I always wanted my both sons — Yash and Vedant — to learn the basic skills but I never wanted them to take it up as a career," Vinod had told this daily after Yash won the gold medal. "Recently I renovated the shop and hired a man to help me but in the past I used to manage the shop alone. So sometimes when there were a lot of customers, Yash used to help me. He still does it if the queue is long," informed Vinod.

New IPL crorepatis are India's next-gen hopefuls

BE it mega or mini IPL auction, it has always produced rags-to-riches stories. More importantly it has given future stars to the Indian team be it Virat Kohli, who was secured by the Royal Challengers Bengaluru through draft system ahead of the inaugural edition in 2008 or or Shreyas Iyer, who became the most expensive uncapped player in 2015 when Delhi franchise bought him for Rs 2.6 crore.

Given its 18-year history of being a strong feeder system to the national team, expectations were once again high ahead of the mini auction for the 2026 edition. The franchises were expected to break the bank for talented youngsters but what followed left everyone surprised. Two relatively unknown cricketers smashed IPL auction records as they became the most expensive uncapped Indian players ever bought in the history of the tournament.

Prashant Veer, a 20-year-old left-arm spin all-rounder from Uttar Pradesh and 19-year-old wicketkeeper-batter from Rajasthan, Kartik Sharma were snapped by five-time champions Chennai Super Kings for Rs 14.2 crore each. Veer was apparently seen as the replacement for long-serving Ravindra Jadeja, who earlier was traded to Rajasthan Royals. Even as Veer and Kartik headlined a massive payday for uncapped Indians, pace-bowling all-rounders Auqib Nabi from Jammu and Kashmir and Madhya Pradesh's Mangesh Yadav were the other notable players to become crorepatis. Nabi was bought by Delhi Capitals for Rs 8.4 crore while RCB hired the services of Yadav by splurging Rs 5.2 crore.

As was the case in the past, most of these players hail from modest families and their rise has only added to the reputation of the league. Veer's father, Ramendra Tripathi, is a shiksha mitra (contractual teacher) with the Uttar Pradesh government. Similarly, Nabi's father, Ghulam Nabi Dar, is a government teacher in J&K's Baramulla district. The pacer's arduous journey has been well documented in the last few months as he bamboozled batters with his incisive line and length claiming five-fors at will at the premier domestic tournaments like Ranji Trophy and Duleep Trophy.

The new RCB signee Mangesh also witnessed a meteoric rise. Given his humble beginnings where his mother Rita Yadav used to bowl to him in the backyard with father Ramavadh Yadav driving a truck thousands of kilometres to make both ends meet. Yadav while talking to this daily after becoming a crorepati hoped he can convince his father to rest now. "Now I can tell him to give up the work and rest at home. Whenever he drives down to cities thousand kilometres away from our home, we all get worried for him. But that is his profession and also the need of the hour. However, now he can either rest or choose something which is not risky," Mangesh had told this daily.

Mangesh Yadav

Clubs seek more clarity from AIFF before ISL restart

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

AT least 13 Indian Super League clubs have sought written clarity and confirmation over quite a few points after the All India Football Federation had given them until January 1 to confirm their participation. A day after the AIFF wanted the clubs to confirm participation, they have written a letter to the football body and have not confirmed as yet. According to the letter signed by Dhruv Sood, CEO, Sporting Club Delhi on behalf of the 13 clubs said that they needed assurance of "Financial Responsibility in the Absence of a Commercial Partner". "... the AIFF—being the rights holder and operator of the league—shall assume financial responsibility for league-level organisational and operational costs for the season," said the letter.

'For cancer-stricken dad': Nobbs' story

CHANDRA PRABHU @ Chennai

HAVING a parent battling cancer is never easy. Kaitlin Nobbs would vouch for that, for she has seen her father and former India senior men's hockey team coach Michael Nobbs battle cancer for the past five years.

"At the moment he is going through treatment which is challenging but he is getting through it and he has the strongest will to live. He is focusing on getting himself better at the moment which is what I would love nothing else for — letting him watch me play hockey.

He really enjoys that and that brings a smile to his face. That's all I can do right now for him," the SG Pipers midfielder told this daily in a virtual interaction, trying to hold back her emotions.

Currently, she is part of the Pipers team in the ongoing Women's Hockey League in Ranchi. "He lives in Sydney now while we are based out of Perth. We need at least five hours to reach there boarding a flight. It has been hard to help from a distance," she explained. She described Michael as "one of the kindest men you will ever meet." "He believes the best in everyone and he has such a kind nature about him. Fortunately, we have not had too many hockey chats. We have just been chatting as dad and daughter more so than hockey. He is always my biggest support, whether I play well or play badly," she described her father.

Kaitlin Nobbs

Family of Olympians

Michael was part of the 1984 Australian senior men's hockey team which missed out on an Olympic medal. His time as India coach from 2011 to 2013, saw the nation qualify for the 2012 London Olympics after winning the Olympic qualifiers which took place in New Delhi. Kaitlin had fond memories of the occasion as she was in India visiting her father during the qualifiers. "It was probably one of the craziest and biggest matches of hockey I have ever seen when the Indian men qualified for the Olympics," she said. Her mother Lee Capes, has won gold in women's hockey event at the 1988 Seoul Games. Lee's sister Michelle Hager (1988 Games) and brother-in-law Mark Hager (1996 Atlanta Olympics) had also seen successes in the quadrennial event. **Thursday's result:** Bengal Tigers **4-3** SG Pipers.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Ivory Coast top group ahead of Cameroon

AGENCIES @ Rabat

REIGNING champions Ivory Coast pipped Cameroon to top spot in their group after Algeria maintained their perfect record as the first round of the Africa Cup of Nations concluded on Wednesday.

The Ivorians and the Indomitable Lions of Cameroon came into their last Group F matches with identical records, leaving open the possibility that a drawing of lots would be required to determine their final positions. But in the end the Ivorians finished in first place in Group F on goals scored after coming from two goals down to beat already-eliminated Gabon 3-2 while Cameroon defeated Mozambique 2-1. Both sides finished on seven points with Mozambique on three points and Gabon on one. Mozambique go through as one of the four best third-placed sides.

Ivory Coast found themselves two goals behind after just 21 minutes in Marrakesh, with Guelor Kanga pouncing on a handling error by goalkeeper Alban Lafont to put Gabon in front. Denis Bouanga then fired in Gabon's second, leaving Emerse Fae's team up against it.

GABON GOVT SUSPENDS TEAM

LIBREVILLE (GABON): Gabon's sports minister has announced the banning of veteran players Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang and Bruno Ecuele Manga, the suspension of the whole national team, and the sacking of the coaching staff following the Panthers' disastrous showing at the Africa Cup of Nations (AFCON).

EXPRESS READ

Capitals crush MI Cape Town by 85 runs

CAPE TOWN: Pretoria Capitals handed a huge 85-run defeat to MI Cape Town to record their first win with a bonus point in SA20. Dewald Brevis (36 n.o) and Sherfane Rutherford (47 n.o, 4/24) starred for them.

WTT Youth Contender to begin from today

VADODARA: Around 334 players from 10 countries will vie for honours at the WTT Youth Contender and the WTT Feeder Series, scheduled to begin at the Sama Indoor Sports Complex here on Friday.

Mbappe suffers knee sprain in blow for Real

MADRID: Real Madrid said that Kylian Mbappe had suffered a knee sprain, delivering a blow to their bid to reel in Barcelona. "He was diagnosed with a sprain in his left knee. Awaiting evolution," the statement read.

Elon Musk's Neuralink will start 'high-volume production' of brain-computer interface devices and move to a fully automated surgical procedure in 2026. The implant can help people with conditions such as spinal cord injury

Top smartphone launches expected in India in 2026

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

EVERY year, smartphone makers launch new devices across different price segments to meet the needs of various users. In 2026, leading smartphone brands such as Samsung, Apple, Google, Oppo, Vivo, and Xiaomi are expected to launch a wide range of smartphones in India, including premium flagships, foldable phones, ultra-thin designs, and devices with significant AI integration.

Companies update these devices annually by improving their design, enhancing performance, upgrading cameras, or adding new AI-based features. In this article, we take a look at the major smartphone launches expected in India in early to mid-2026.

SAMSUNG

Samsung is one of the most popular smartphone brands in India. It is one of the few non-Chinese brands that compete strongly with both Chinese manufacturers and US-based Apple. Samsung has a wide product range, from budget phones to ultra-premium flagships.

Samsung Galaxy S26 Series

Samsung's main flagship launch for 2026 is expected to be the Galaxy S26 series. This lineup will likely include the Galaxy S26, Galaxy S26+, and Galaxy S26 Ultra. These phones are expected to launch early in the year. The Galaxy S26 series is expected to feature high-quality AMOLED displays, powerful flagship processors, and major camera upgrades. The Ultra variant, in particular, may see significant improvements in photography and videography. Samsung is also expected to continue offering advanced S-Pen support on the Ultra model. AI-powered features under Samsung's "Galaxy AI" branding are expected to play a major role in this series.

Samsung Foldable Phones

Samsung is also a leader in foldable smartphone technology. In 2026, the company is expected to launch the Galaxy Z Fold 8 and Galaxy Z Flip 8. According to rumours, Samsung will focus on making these foldable devices more durable and lightweight. Improvements in the hinge design may help reduce the visible screen crease further. These phones are expected to be powered by the latest flagship Snapdragon 8 series processor, offering top-level performance.

Camera hardware and software improvements are also expected, supported by Galaxy AI features for better photos and videos. The phones will likely run on Android 16 with the latest version of Samsung's One UI.

Galaxy Z TriFold

Samsung is also rumoured to be working on a Galaxy Z TriFold device. This could be a groundbreaking product with a new form factor. The device is expected to fold twice, offering a much larger screen when fully opened—almost like a tablet. If launched, it could change how foldable phones are used.

Apple iPhone 18 series

Apple is expected to launch the iPhone 18 series in 2026. The lineup will likely include the iPhone 18 Pro and iPhone 18 Pro Max. These models are expected to bring a major design change. Apple may remove the Dynamic Island and introduce a punch-hole front camera along with under-display Face ID sensors. This would result in a cleaner and more immersive display.

The iPhone 18 Pro models are expected to be powered by the A20 Pro chipset, built using an advanced 2nm manufacturing process. This chip is expected to deliver high performance while efficiently handling AI-based tasks. Apple may also introduce a new heat-forged aluminum unibody design to improve heat management. However, this could make the Pro Max model slightly heavier. Apple is also expected to launch its first foldable iPhone around the same time, marking its entry into the foldable smartphone market.

Google Pixel

Google is expected to launch the Pixel 11 series in 2026. The lineup may include the Pixel 11, Pixel 11 Pro, Pixel 11 Pro XL, and Pixel 11 Pro Fold. The launch is expected around August or September 2026.

These phones are likely to be powered by the new Google Tensor G6 chip, which is said to be built on a 2nm process. This should offer better performance, improved battery efficiency, and stronger AI capabilities. Google is expected to focus heavily on on-device AI features. Rumored features include advanced video enhancement using generative machine learning and voice-based photo editing tools such as "Speak-to-Tweak." As usual, the Pixel series is expected to offer one of the best smartphone camera experiences.

OPPO

Oppo's Find series represents the brand's most premium smartphones. In 2026, Oppo is expected to launch two major devices in this lineup.

Oppo Find X9 Ultra

The Oppo Find X9 Ultra is expected to launch in March 2026 and will be positioned as an ultra-premium flagship. The phone may be powered by the Qualcomm Snapdragon 8 Elite Gen 5 processor.

The camera system is expected to be a major highlight. It may feature a quad-camera setup, including a 200MP main camera, a 200MP mid-telephoto lens, a 50MP ultra-telephoto sensor, and a 50MP ultra-wide camera. This setup is expected to deliver top-level photography and videography performance.

Oppo Find N6

The Oppo Find N6 is expected to be a next-generation book-style foldable phone, launching around February 2026. It may feature an 8.12-inch inner foldable display and a 6.62-inch outer display. The phone is expected to use the Snapdragon 8 Elite Gen 5 chipset and offer up to 16GB of RAM.

Vivo

Vivo's X series is its premium smartphone lineup, developed in partnership with ZEISS for advanced camera performance.

Vivo X300 Ultra

The Vivo X300 Ultra is expected to launch in the third quarter of 2026. It will likely be an ultra-premium flagship designed to compete with the best phones from Samsung, Apple, and others. The phone is expected to feature a quad-camera system co-engineered with ZEISS, including a large main sensor and a high-resolution periscope telephoto lens for long-range zoom. It is expected to use a next-generation flagship processor and include advanced cooling technology.

Vivo X200T

The Vivo X200T is expected to launch in India in January. It will act as a refreshed version of X200 series and is expected to offer strong performance and a large battery, though it may sit slightly below the X300 in terms of specifications.

XIAOMI

Xiaomi is also expected to have a strong presence in early 2026. The company is likely to launch the Xiaomi 17 series globally, including the highly anticipated Xiaomi 17 Ultra. Following their launch in China in late 2025, the Xiaomi 17 and Xiaomi 17 Ultra are expected to arrive in India between January and March 2026.

'OUR FOCUS IS TO RAISE THE PERFORMANCE BAR & OVERALL EXPERIENCE'

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

IN an interview with *TNIE*, **iQOO CEO Nipun Marya** shared that the company listens closely to its community, learns from real-world usage, and continuously refines its products to stay aligned with evolving consumer expectations. In 2026, its approach is to offer a well-balanced portfolio serving everyone, from those seeking flagship-level experiences to users who want dependable, high-performance smartphones at accessible price points. Rather than chasing a single segment, the focus is on consistently raising the bar on performance and overall experience across the iQOO lineup.

● How has 2025 been for iQOO so far?

It has been a strong and encouraging year for iQOO. We have seen consistent momentum across our portfolio, driven by a growing community of users who value high performance, reliability, and a smooth smartphone experience. Our core remains performance-first Gen Z users and young professionals. At the same time, our portfolio is built to serve every segment—from flagship devices for enthusiasts to smart, value-driven mid-range smartphones and entry-level devices —without ever compromising on performance or long-term reliability. This balanced approach has helped drive healthy growth overall.

● Do you see AI becoming the main growth driver for the smartphone industry in 2026?

AI will definitely be one of the key growth drivers, but not as a standalone feature. In 2026, AI will succeed when it meaningfully enhances real-world smartphone experiences - whether that's performance optimisation, smarter power management, or more intuitive everyday usage.

For iQOO, AI is about enabling faster, efficient, and more responsive smartphones, rather than adding features for the sake of it.

● Do you think consumers will value AI features more than design and camera upgrades?

We don't see this as an either-or choice. Consumers today expect a holistic smartphone experience. While AI-driven intelligence will increasingly influence how smoothly a device performs, design and camera capabilities will remain essential decision factors. At iQOO, our approach is to integrate AI in a way that supports performance and usability, while continuing to deliver on strong design language and reliable camera performance.

● How do you see iQOO's smartphone portfolio in India evolving in 2026?

In 2026, iQOO's portfolio in India will continue to be anchored in our performance-first, user-centric philosophy. We are sharpening our focus on young, tech-savvy white-collar professionals who rely on their smartphones for speed, endurance, and consistency—every single day. You will see sharper differentiation across segments, deeper performance tuning, and more intelligent software experiences, thoughtfully tailored for Indian usage patterns.

● Which segment will be iQOO's main focus going ahead—premium, mid-range, or entry-level?

Going ahead, iQOO will stay firmly focused on delivering performance-first, user-centric smartphones across segments. We listen closely to our community, learn from real-world usage, and continuously refine our products to stay aligned with how consumer expectations are evolving.

Our approach is to offer a well-balanced portfolio serving everyone from those seeking flagship-level experiences to users who want dependable, high-performance smartphones at accessible price points. Rather than chasing a single segment, our focus is on consistently raising the bar on performance and overall experience across the iQOO lineup.

TECHNOLOGY BUZZ

TSMC GETS US LICENCE TO IMPORT CHIPMAKING TOOLS INTO CHINA

The US government has granted an annual licence to Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company (TSMC) to import US chip manufacturing equipment to its facilities in Nanjing, China, the chipmaker said on Thursday. Previously, the Asian company had benefited from exemptions from Washington's sweeping restrictions on chip-related exports to China, part of US efforts to try to stay ahead of China in technological development. But those privileges expired on December 31, 2025 and the companies had to seek US export licences instead for 2026. "The US Department of Commerce has granted TSMC Nanjing an annual export licence that allows US export-controlled items to be supplied to TSMC Nanjing without the need for individual vendor licenses," TSMC said

CHINESE AI STARTUP MINIMAX KICKS OFF $538-MILLION HONG KONG IPO

Chinese AI startup MiniMax Group spearheaded six Hong Kong listings worth HK$16.7 billion ($2.15 billion), exchange filings showed, as AI and chipmakers power the equity markets comeback and set the tone for 2026. Hong Kong raised $36.5 billion from 114 new listings in 2025, for its strongest year since 2021, and more than triple the roughly $11.3 billion raised in 2024, data showed. MiniMax seeks to raise up to HK$4.19 billion ($538 million) from 25.4 million shares, ahead of a January 9 debut. Semiconductor specialists OmniVision Integrated Circuits and GigaDevice Semiconductor have also started bookbuilding for their IPOs, aiming to raise $600 million each.

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Attention!
Manufacturers of Pan Masala

Health Security se National Security (HSNS)
CESS ACT, 2025 to apply from 1st February, 2026

HSNS Cess is levied on machines/processes for pan masala manufacture. Every taxable person must register and pay.

MANDATORY REGISTRATION
(FORM HSNS REG-01)

- You can apply for registration by visiting www.cbic-gst.gov.in and clicking on "New User" under the HSNS Cess tab.
- Enroll with Name, PAN, Email, Mobile to receive Enrolment Reference Number (ERN)
- Use ERN to fill FORM HSNS REG-01
- Receive Temporary Registration Number (TRN) for initial payment

MONTHLY CESS PAYMENT
(FORM HSNS PMT-01)

- Due electronically by the 7th day of that month
- (eg. Feb 2026 liability due by 7th Feb 2026)
- You can pay the cess by logging in to the Taxpayer Dashboard and selecting e-Payment under the Menu tab.

CESS DECLARATION
(FORM HSNS DEC-01)

- File within 7 days of grant of registration
- You can file your declaration by logging in to the Taxpayer Dashboard and clicking on Declaration under the Menu tab.

MONTHLY RETURN
(FORM HSNS RET-01)

- File electronically by the 20th day of the succeeding month (eg. February 2026 return due by 20th March 2026)
- You can file your return by logging in to the Taxpayer Dashboard and clicking on Return under the Menu tab.

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